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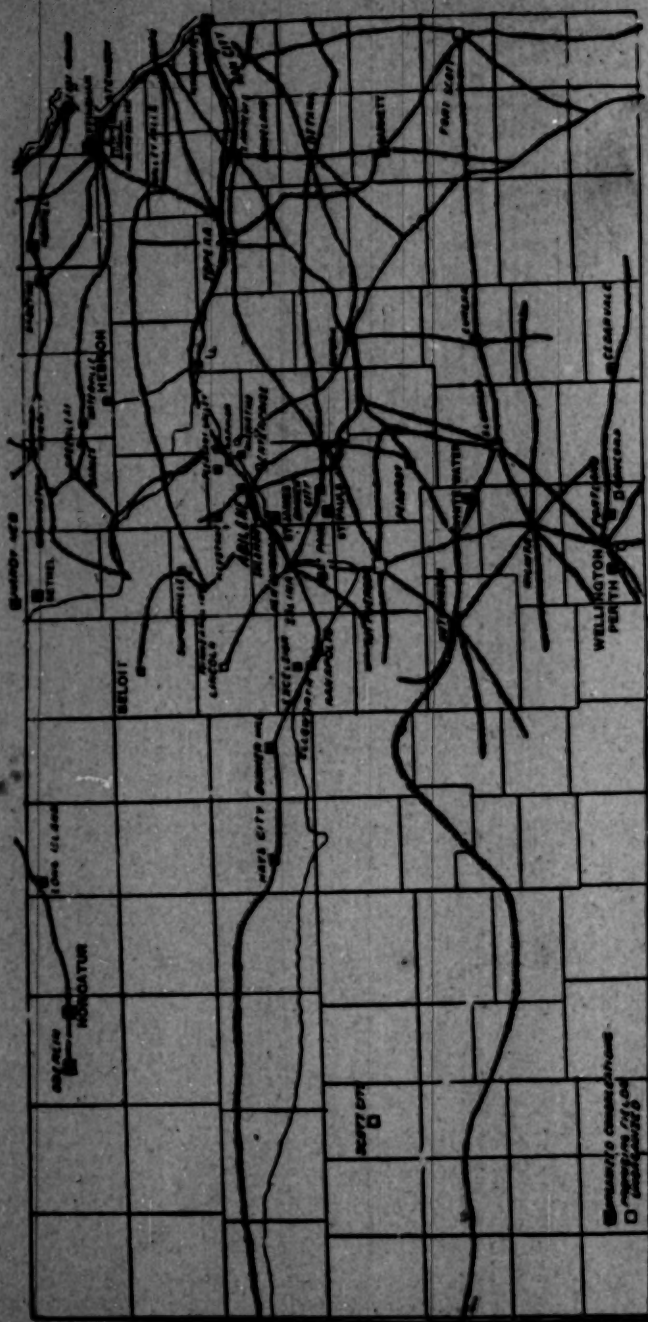
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SYNODICAL CALENDAR, 1899-1900.

Corporate Name.

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF KANSAS.

Officers of Synod.

President—REV. H. C. HAITHCOX, D. D., Abilene, Kan.

Secretary—REV. J. F. SEIBERT, Sedalia, Mo.

Treasurer—MR. J. E. BREWER, Abilene, Kan.

Statistician and Historian.

REV. J. B. MCAFEE, Topeka, Kan.

Trustees of Synod.

REV. H. C. HAITHCOX, D. D.	1900
REV. J. F. SEIBERT	1900
REV. F. D. ALTMAN, D. D.	1900
MR. J. E. BREWER	1901
MR. J. H. BERLIN	1901

Examining Committee.

REV. F. D. ALTMAN, D. D., REV. J. H. STOUGH, PH. D.,
REV. J. M. CROMER, REV. L. S. KEYSER,
REV. H. C. HAITHCOX, D. D.

Beneficiary Committee.

REV. J. F. SEIBERT, 1901 REV. J. M. CROMER, 1900
MR. D. H. KRESKY, 1902.

Trustees of Tressler Orphans' Home.

REV. G. W. W. AMICK, DR. J. E. TRESSLER.

Committee Quarterly Benevolence Envelopes.

REV. R. B. WOLF, REV. J. J. CHAMBERS,
REV. D. H. CRAMER.

Committee on Temperance.

REV. J. B. MCAFEE, REV. H. L. YARGER, D. D.,
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**Committee on Endowment of Midland College and
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REV. EDWARD P. SCHUELER.

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REV. H. C. HAITHCOX, D. D., 1901 REV. I. B. HEISEY, 1900
REV. F. D. ALTMAN, D. D., 1902.

Committee on Minutes of Last Meeting.

REV. B. F. PUGH, REV. M. BERG,
REV. N. W. LILLY.

Committee on Parochial Report.

REV. J. A. McCULLOCH, REV. PAUL G. TONSING,
MR. PHILIP WEISGERBER.

**Committee to Circulate Literature of Publication
Society.**

Northwest Conference—REV. J. F. SCHERER.

Northeast Conference—REV. L. S. KEYSER.

Southwest Conference—REV. A. M. REITZEL.

Committee on Congregational Benevolence.

MR. J. E. BREWER, MR. J. H. BERLIN,
REV. J. F. SEIBERT.

Speakers for 1900.

Wednesday Evening—Opening Sermon by REV. H. C. HAITH-
COX, D. D., President.

Thursday Evening, Anniversary of W. H. and F. M. Society.

Friday Evening, Home Missions—REV. F. D. ALTMAN,
D. D., REV. E. E. STAUFFER.

Foreign Missions—REV. J. M. CROMER, REV. A. M. REITZEL.

Saturday Evening, Education—REV. L. S. KEYSER, REV. B.
F. KISTLER.

Church Extension—REV. C. E. WIRICK, REV. PAUL G. TONSING.

Ordination Sermon—REV. H. L. YARGER, D. D., REV. J. H.
STOUGH, PH. D.

Thirty-third Annual Convention.

Time—Wednesday Evening, October 3d, 1900.

Place—Waterville, Kansas.

PLACES OF MEETING SINCE THE ORGANIZATION OF KANSAS SYNOD.

<i>No.</i>	<i>Time.</i>	<i>Place.</i>
1.	November 5-7, 1868.....	Topeka, Kansas.
2.	{ April 25, 1869.....	Atchison, Kansas.
	{ October 6-10, 1869.....	Kansas City, Mo.
3.	October 5-10, 1870.....	Lawrence, Kansas.
4.	September 27-October 1, 1871.....	Grasshopper Falls, Kansas.
5.	September 11-14, 1872.....	Monrovia, Kansas.
6.	October 1-6, 1873.....	Kansas City, Mo.
7.	October 21-25, 1874.....	Abilene, Kansas.
8.	September 22-27, 1875.....	Lawrence, Kansas.
9.	August 1-6, 1876.....	Kansas City, Mo.
10.	August 22-25, 1877.....	Salina, Kansas.
11.	August 7-10, 1878.....	Peabody, Kansas.
12.	September 24-28, 1879.....	Abilene, Kansas.
13.	October 13-18, 1880.....	Lawrence, Kansas.
14.	October 5-9, 1881.....	Bunker Hill, Kansas.
15.	October 25-30, 1882.....	Salina, Kansas.
16.	October 24-29, 1883.....	Eureka, Kansas.
17.	November 25-December 1, 1884.....	Topeka, Kansas.
18.	October 20-26, 1885.....	Peabody, Kansas.
19.	October 12-18, 1886.....	Waterville, Kansas.
20.	October 25-31, 1887.....	Abilene, Kansas.
21.	October 23-28, 1888.....	Lawrence, Kansas.
22.	October 1-6, 1889.....	Atchison, Kansas.
23.	October 21-27, 1890.....	Salina, Kansas.
24.	October 20-25, 1891.....	Emporia, Kansas.
25.	October 18-23, 1892.....	Kansas City, Mo., Children's Memorial.
26.	October 17-22, 1893.....	Kansas City, Mo., First Lutheran Church.
27.	October 16-21, 1894.....	Topeka, Kansas.
28.	October 15-20, 1895.....	Abilene, Kansas.
29.	October 20-25, 1896.....	Lawrence, Kansas.
30.	October 20-24, 1897.....	Peabody, Kansas.
31.	October 19-23, 1898.....	Hutchinson, Kansas.
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The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas convened in Thirty-Second Annual Session in St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Atchison, Kansas, Rev. L. S. Keyser, pastor, Wednesday evening, October 18th, 1899.

The opening sermon was preached by the President, Rev. H. C. Haithcox, D. D., of Abilene, Kansas. Subject: "The Principle of Justification by Faith." Following the sermon the Holy Communion was celebrated.

FIRST SESSION.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1899, 9 A. M.

The Synod was opened in regular form, the President conducting the devotional services.

The clerical roll was called and lay delegates were received.

Synodical Roll.

MINISTERS.		ENTERED MINISTRY.	RESIDENCE.	LAY DELEGATES.
1	Rev. P. S. Nellis, <i>a. e.</i>	1846	Hutchinson.	
2	Rev. Jacob Schauer.	1848	Atchison.	
3	Rev. L. C. Groseclose, <i>a. e.</i>	1849	Eureka.	
4	Rev. A. Essick, <i>a. e.</i>	1849	Ellsworth.	
5	Rev. S. Henry, <i>a. e.</i>	1850	Independence.	
6	Rev. J. B. McAfee.	1854	Topeka.	
7	Rev. G. A. Bowers, D. D., <i>a. e.</i>	1854	Louisville, Ky.	
8	Rev. B. F. Hills, <i>a. e.</i>	1854	Elmo.	
9	Rev. A. B. Kirtland, <i>a. e.</i>	1857	Salina.	
10	Rev. Henry Heigerd, <i>a. e.</i>	1858		
11	Rev. N. W. Lilly.	1858	Kansas City, Mo.	
12	Rev. A. M. Geiger, D. D.	1859	Kansas City, Mo.	
13	Rev. D. Scholl, <i>a. e.</i>	1859	Wellsville.	
14	Rev. R. B. Whitehill.	1860	Kansas City, Mo.	
15	Rev. W. M. Sparr, <i>a. e.</i>	1864	Belgrade, Montana.	
16	Rev. A. J. Hartsock, <i>a. e.</i>	1867	McPherson.	
17	Rev. J. L. Hammond.	1870	Garnett.	
18	Rev. J. H. Stough, Ph. D.	1872	Atchison.	
19	Rev. H. C. Halthcox, D. D.	1872	Abilene.	J. E. Brewer.
20	Rev. J. A. Bright.	1873	Topeka.	
21	Rev. S. Palmer.	1873	Lawrence.	
22	Rev. J. W. Kimmel, <i>a. e.</i>	1875	Leavenworth.	
23	Rev. E. F. A. Hantel.	1875	Glasco.	
24	Rev. J. A. Lowe, <i>a. e.</i>	1876	Jerico, Mo.	
25	Rev. J. M. Cromer.	1876	Kansas City, Mo.	E. Stine, <i>a.</i>
26	Rev. B. F. Pugh.	1877	Ottawa.	Ferdinand Williamson.
27	Rev. L. S. Keyser.	1878	Atchison.	J. H. Berlin.
28	Rev. F. D. Altman, D. D.	1882	Atchison.	
29	Rev. C. E. Wirick.	1883	Emporia.	H. C. Roeling, <i>a.</i>
30	Rev. H. L. Yarger, D. D.	1885	Atchison.	
31	Rev. J. F. Scherer.	1885	Minneapolis.	
32	Rev. G. W. W. Amick.	1885	Peabody.	E. R. Worthington.
33	Rev. Jonas Freet.	1888	Norcaton.	
34	Rev. H. A. Koogle, <i>a. e.</i>	1888	Chapman.	
35	Rev. W. E. Brehm.	1890	Lawrence.	Rev. S. Palmer.
36	Rev. J. F. Seibert.	1891	Sedalia, Mo.	W. M. Almqvist.
37	Rev. I. B. Heisey.	1892	Waterville.	George R. Kistler.
38	Rev. R. B. Woll.	1893	Eureka.	
39	Rev. A. E. Wagner, Ph. D.	1894	Topeka.	Henry W. McAfee, <i>a.</i>
40	Rev. Paul G. Tonsing.	1894	Beloit.	J. R. Burkepile.
41	Rev. P. S. Spraker, <i>a.</i>		Kenard, Neb.	
42	Rev. Julius W. Paetznick.	1895	Hanover.	
43	Rev. B. F. Kistler.	1896	Bunker Hill.	
44	Rev. A. M. Reitzel.	1896	Hutchinson.	G. A. Brehm, <i>a.</i>
45	Rev. Maurice D. Berg.	1896	Whitewater.	
46	Rev. J. J. Chambers.	1896	New Cambria.	J. M. Brubaker.
47	Rev. Edward P. Schuler.	1896	Kansas City, Mo.	H. H. Frain.
48	Rev. D. H. Cramer.	1897	Hays City.	
49	Rev. E. E. Stauffer.	1897	Wellington.	W. A. Mickle.
50	Rev. J. A. McCulloch.	1897	Salina.	Philip A. Weisgerber.
51	Rev. A. F. Dresel, <i>i.</i>	1899	Atchison.	
52	Rev. E. H. Combs, <i>i.</i>	1899	Atchison.	
53	Rev. W. A. Livers, <i>i.</i>	1899	Atchison.	
54	Rev. Geo. W. Livers, <i>i.</i>	1899	Atchison.	
Vacant.			Banner City.	W. H. Elliot.
			Leavenworth.	M. Kessler.
			Edinham.	Benjamin Wallack.
			East Norway.	C. O. Turkleson.

a. Absent.*a. e.* Absent and excused.*i.* Licensed.

Advisory Members.

Rev. J. L. Neve, Professor of German Department, Western Theological Seminary.

Rev. S. B. Barnitz, D. D., Western Secretary of Board of Home Missions.

Rev. J. N. Lentz, Solicitor for Midland College.

Rev. Carl Klinger, German Nebraska Synod.

Rev. J. A. Clutz, D. D., President of Midland College.

Rev. H. Zimmerman, Stella, Neb.

Rev. Karl Krueger, Professor of German, Midland College.

Rev. G. O. Ritter, Chapman, Kansas.

Corresponding Members.

Mr. John Koenig, Hanover, Kansas.

Revs. Mr. Fitch and J. R. Comer, Abilene, Kansas.

The President's Report.

Dear Brethren: Gathering in this our Thirty-second Convention we acknowledge God in His fatherly keeping and thank Him for preserving us, soul and body, alive until this day. Death's messenger called none of us during the year, but came close by and entered one of our homes, laid His hand on the wife of our brother, Rev. Jonas Freet, Norcatur, Kansas, and she fell on sleep. "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints." The God of wisdom guide and keep His bereaved servant.

DISMISSALS.

In my official capacity letters of dismissal were granted the following brethren:

October 25th, 1898, Rev. G. C. Cromer to the Central and Southern Illinois Synod.

December 1st, 1898, Rev. W. F. Rentz to the East Pennsylvania Synod.

February 24th, 1899, Rev. J. B. Umberger to the Miami Synod, Ohio.

September 9th, 1899, Rev. E. F. Trefz to the Nebraska Synod.

September 28th, 1899, by his own request, I returned to Rev. H. F. Scheele, St. Joseph, Mo., his letter to us from the Virginia Synod.

RECEPTIONS.

December 28th, 1898, the letter of Rev. C. E. Wirick, Emporia, Kansas, from the Central and Southern Illinois Synod.

January 13th, 1899, the letter of Rev. H. F. Scheele, St. Joseph, Mo., from the Virginia Synod.

January 31st, 1899, the letter of Rev. G. W. W. Amick, Peabody, Kansas, from the Allegheny Synod, Pa.

April 14th, 1899, the letter of Rev. J. L. Hammond, Garnett, Kansas, from the Iowa Synod.

September 12th, 1899, the letter of Rev. N. W. Lilly, Kansas City, Mo., from the Northern Illinois Synod.

CHANGES WITHIN OUR OWN SYNOD.

In June, 1899, Rev. Jonas Freet informed me that he had returned from Sabetha to Norcatur, Kansas, to his former charge.

March 1st, 1899, Rev. J. F. Scherer informed me that he had accepted a call to the Minneapolis pastorate.

May 1st, 1899, Rev. J. W. Kimmel resigned as pastor of the church at Leavenworth, and Dr. A. F. Dresel, a student in our Western Seminary, served that church as supply until this time.

October, 1899, Rev. D. H. Cramer accepted a call to Hays City.

INSTALLATION.

May 2d, 1899, Rev. G. W. W. Amick was installed pastor of our church at Peabody, Kansas, by Dr. Yarger and Rev. L. S. Keyser.

AD INTERIM LICENSE.

On the recommendation of the Examining Committee of Synod, July 18th, 1899, I issued *ad interim* license to Dr. A. F. Dresel, who had been called as supply pastor of our church at Leavenworth, Kansas.

VACANCIES.

Banner City, Barnes and Greenleaf, Chapman, Jerico, Leavenworth, Sabetha, Effingham and Valley Falls, Vinland, and St. Joseph.

IMPROVEMENTS ON CHURCH PROPERTIES.

A parsonage has been built at Norcatur, the church improved in Topeka, the church and parsonage have been improved at Abilene, and the Memorial Church in Kansas City, Mo., has held a debt-paying jubilee. May the Lord give us more such jubilees.

STATE OF RELIGION.

This depends upon our faith. If this be true, intelligent working by love, our churches will be as trees planted by the rivers of water, bringing forth fruit in season. We note that attendance on the means of grace sustains a good average, a few reporting increase. The attendance of non-professors is reported to be from 10 to 75 per cent. of the congregation, but generally from 10 to 20 per cent. Attendance at prayer meeting is reported to be from 10 to 90 per cent. of the Church. There seems to be neglect of family prayer. The benevolence of the Church is generally hopeful. Some pastors are worried because of small salaries, slowly paid. It is evident that the Church is not in its best state. Causes of this seem to be three: 1. The strong secular current

that sweeps and swirls around us, often moving Christians from their anchorage in God. 2. The failure of many to properly recognize the divine element in the pastoral relation, and hence the yielding of the mastery to the human element, and to worldly views and methods. 3. The neglect of the means and method of spiritual growth—the trustful and devout hearing of the Word of the living God.

In some parts of the Church two types of character have done much evil to Zion: Alexander the coppersmith and Diotrephes, who loveth the pre-eminence. If these two men, with all their children, were genuinely converted to Christ, the Church would have peace in all her borders and be filled with the Spirit of God, and there would be no lack in her treasures. To remedy this hurt we need several things, all of which are within our sphere, for there is no lack with God: 1. We need a better knowledge of Christ, our Saviour and Lord. 2. We need more submissive trust to His rule in the Church. 3. We need adjustment to longer terms of pastoral service to teach and to train our church people in her life and methods. 4. We need greater humility and faithfulness on the part of church officials, that the usually limited salaries be promptly paid and the ministry be not crippled in their work and their good name, which is their treasure for Christ and His Church. To rob a faithful minister of his good name is the meanest kind of robbery. To subordinate the rule of our Lord in the Church to human likes and dislikes and worldly prejudices is disloyalty to our Lord and His kingdom. Trustful, humble, patient, manly, suffering loyalty to Jesus Christ is the great need of this age. May God baptize us all, pastors and people, with His Spirit to fit us for service, filling us with His own fullness for us, and the leaf of the Church shall not wither, and whatsoever she doeth shall prosper.

Fraternally submitted,

H. C. HAITHCOX.

Election of Officers.

The election resulted as follows:

President—Rev. H. C. Haithcox, D. D.

Secretary—Rev. J. F. Seibert.

Treasurer—Mr. J. E. Brewer.

Historian and Statistician—Rev. J. B. McAfee.

The first eight rows of seats were made the bar of Synod.

Hours of Meeting and Adjournment.

Meeting: 9 A. M. and 2 P. M.

Adjournment: 11.30 A. M. and 4.30 P. M.

Evening Service: 7.30 P. M.

Press Reporters.

Brethren were appointed as follows to report the proceedings of the Synod :

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Treasurer's Report.

The report was received and referred to the proper committee. [See Appendix A, pages 30 and 31, for report.]

Appointment of Committees.

1. *President's Report*—Revs. F. D. Altman, D. D., E. E. Stauffer, Mr. H. W. McAfee.

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15. *Synodical History*—Revs. J. F. Scherer, L. S. Keyser, A. E. Wagner, Ph. D.

Adjourned, with prayer by Rev. Jonas Freet.

SECOND BUSINESS SESSION.

THURSDAY, 2 P. M.

The opening prayer was offered by Rev. G. W. W. Amick.

Report of Committee on Minutes of Last Meeting.

Your Committee on Minutes of Last Meeting of Synod would respectfully report that, upon examination, we find the following recommendation on page 22 embodied in the report of the Committee on Vacancies :

"We therefore recommend that the President of Synod be authorized to visit, or appoint others to visit under his direction, such vacant charges as he may deem in need of such visitation ; and where these vacant congregations do not meet the actual expenses incurred in such visitation, the same be paid from our Synodical treasury."

To what extent has this been complied with ?

We find nothing else of sufficient importance to bring before this Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

R. B. WHITEHILL,
JONAS FREET,
J. B. BURKEPILE.

Adopted.

The President of Synod read the accompanying letter from the President of Midland College :

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To the Synod of Kansas :

DEAR BRETHREN : The Faculty of Midland College desire to extend greetings to your honorable body through your worthy President, and to extend to the Synod an invitation to visit the college in a body at some time that may be found convenient. At the meeting of the Kansas Synod in this city, ten years

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DEAR BRETHREN: The Faculty of Midland College desire to extend greetings to your honorable body through your worthy President, and to extend to the Synod an invitation to visit the college in a body at some time that may be found convenient. At the meeting of the Kansas Synod in this city, ten years

ago, they participated in the dedication of the first building, erected by the citizens of Atchison for the use of the college, and also in the inauguration of the President of the college. Since then some progress has been made, and the Faculty would be pleased to have the Synod come out to inspect the grounds, and buildings, and equipment, and thus see for themselves what has been accomplished during these years, at least in the way of material growth.

The Faculty will be pleased to have the Synod fix the time for this visit so as to best suit their own convenience, but venture to suggest Friday afternoon for the reason that it may be possible for the Woman's Missionary Society to unite in the visit at that time. They would further suggest that the Synod adjourn so as to reach the college chapel not later than 4 o'clock P. M., where brief exercises will be held, after which all the buildings and rooms will be open to their inspection. If they can spare the time to reach the chapel by 3.30 P. M. it would be better.

We would respectfully ask the Synod to take action on this matter this afternoon, if possible, and inform us of their decision this evening, so as to enable us to make proper arrangements to-morrow morning for the visit.

Very respectfully,

JACOB A. CLUTZ.

On motion, the invitation to visit the college was heartily accepted, the Synod deciding to adjourn Friday at 3.30 P. M. for this purpose.

The Rev. Dr. S. B. Barnitz addressed the Synod upon the work of the Board of Home Missions.

Report of Auditing Committee.

Your Committee on the Books and Accounts of the Treasurer do hereby report that after careful examination the same have been found correct in all details, as well as carefully and systematically kept.

Your committee would recommend that (after looking through the almost deplorable conditions of deficits by the different congregations) the President of the Synod appoint a committee of three members of this Synod whose duty it shall be, either by personal visitation to such congregations or by correspondence with the pastors, or secretaries, or treasurers, or other active members of such congregations as they know or be acquainted with, to keep the matter of raising their benevolence before them, encourage their work along that line even to the outlining of methods if desired.

J. H. BERLIN,
E. R. WORTHINGTON,
W. M. ALMQUIST.

Adopted.

The President appointed Messrs. J. H. Berlin, J. E. Brewer, and Rev. J. F. Seibert to have charge of the work above indicated.

Rev. H. L. Yarger, D. D., addressed Synod upon the subject of Church Extension.

Report of Special Committee on Synodical History.

Your committee desire to recommend that the Synodical Historian, Rev. J. B. McAfee, be instructed to prepare for the next convention of the Synod a sketch of the history of this Synod, and of the various congregations comprising it, with the view of having the same published, subject to the approval of Synod.

Also that he be authorized to call to his assistance, if he desires it, the aid of Revs. Drs. Wagner and Yarger, and that the matter and manner of preparing this sketch be left to the judgment of himself and these brethren.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. SCHERER,
L. S. KEYSER.

Adopted.

Report of Committee on Conferences.

Your committee would respectfully report the following:

The Northeast and Southwest Conferences report one meeting each held during the year. They report good meetings, but no business claiming the attention of Synod. We would advise the Northwest Conference to comply with the rules of Synod.

B. F. PUGH,
M. D. BERG,
H. H. FRAIN.

Adopted.

Report of Committee on Endowment of Midland College.

Your committee appointed to help secure endowment for Midland College would offer the following report

The committee, realizing that it would be impossible to visit the charges in person, planned to reach as many individual members of the charges as possible. To this end a circular letter was printed and sent to the pastors asking for a list of names of members. It was intended to carry on for a while a campaign of education, sending to these people, from time to time, information in regard to the college and its needs, and finally asking for a contribution toward the endowment of the institution. Fourteen of our pastors responded to this request, a few declined to send any names, and the others gave no reply.

The committee felt that it was not proper to publish and send out printed matter to less than half the congregations, and questioned whether it should be done until a more general response can be had from our churches. Since this work was begun, the Trustees of Midland College have placed a College Solicitor in the field to push this work.

We would offer the following recommendations :

1. That we rejoice in this advanced step taken by the Trustees in putting an agent in the field to look after the interests of our College and Seminary.
2. That as a Synod we will open our churches to Rev. J. N. Lentz, the College Solicitor, and give him what aid we can in the way of securing students and money for the institution.
3. That a committee be continued by this Synod to co-operate with the College Solicitor in this work.

H. L. YARGER,
F. D. ALTMAN,
EDWARD P. SCHUELER.

Adopted.

Adjourned, with prayer by Rev. J. L. Hammond.

EVENING SERVICE.

THURSDAY, 7.30 P. M.

This service was conducted by the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society, and consisted of excellent addresses by Mrs. Alice G. Bond, of Salina, and Mrs. J. M. Cromer, of Kansas City ; a reading by Miss Julia Clutz, of Atchison ; and splendid music by the choir of St. Mark's Church.

THIRD BUSINESS SESSION.

FRIDAY, 9 A. M.

The devotional service was conducted by Rev. G. W. W. Amick.

The opening prayer of Synod was offered by Rev. E. E. Stauffer.

The minutes of the sessions of previous day were read and approved.

Report of Committee on Correspondence.

Your committee has had submitted to it four communications: one from the Secretary of the Board of Education, another from the President of the Board of Home Missions, a third from the Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions, and a fourth from the Rev. J. A. Lowe, of Jerico, Mo.

The letter from the Rev. J. A. Lowe gives information regarding the work at Jerico, Mo., which information, while of interest to the brethren, is not of such a nature as to call for any action of Synod. The church at that point is weak, and there seems to be no hope of their soon being able to support a pastor. Brother Lowe, who is principal of the public school at Jerico, has been preaching occasionally for these worthy people without charge.

With regard to the communication from the Board of Education, we recommend that the Synod pledge anew its interest in and support of this fundamentally important cause, and that we will make special effort as pastors to sustain the Board in meeting the increased demands laid upon its funds by the last General Synod. We recommend, also, that our Synodical apportionment for this Board be made to conform to the apportionment of the General Synod, viz., 15 cents.

Regarding the letter from the President of the Board of Home Missions, your committee recommend that this Synod pledge itself heartily to co-operate in every way with the effort of the Board to raise a special "Twentieth-century Memorial Fund of \$20,000 for Home Missions."

The letter from Rev. George Scholl, D. D., Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions, presents facts regarding our work in India and Africa which are full of encouragement. Not for many years has the cause of Foreign Missions been so full of promise, and the status of the work as reported to us in this letter should move us as a Synod to a deep sense of gratitude to Almighty God for His manifest favor upon this branch of the work of our church.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD P. SCHUELER,
G. W. W. AMICK,
J. M. BRUBAKER.

Report of Advisory Board of Home Missions.

There has been substantial progress in the mission churches of our Synod during the past year. Three have become self-supporting, viz., Beloit, Bunker Hill, and Topeka. Three have reduced the appropriations asked from the Board. One has had an increase of appropriation, and a congregation for a number of years self-sustaining has secured aid again from the Board. But the net gain in reduction is \$537.50.

In harmony with the action of Synod one year ago, the Advisory Board inquired more particularly into the request of the Ottawa congregation for a division of that charge. The charge was composed of two congregations

twenty-five miles apart, one at Ottawa, the other at Garnett. It seemed advisable to form two pastorates, with a minister at each place. This plan was agreeable to the congregations interested, and was consummated. A pastor is now located at each of these points, and the Board of Home Missions have made appropriations to both charges.

Effingham is being supplied from the Western Theological Seminary. It is hoped that this congregation and Valley Falls may again decide upon a pastor who shall serve them.

St. Joseph is arranging to call a minister at the earliest convenient date.

Efforts are made by this Advisory Board to have vacancies filled as soon as possible, and to maintain services during the interim by sending supplies.

The following charges are receiving aid from the Board of Home Missions in the amounts indicated :

	This Year.	Last Year.
Atchison	\$300 00	\$350 00
Barnes and Greenleaf	Vacant.	180 00
Chapman	Vacant.	50 00
Eureka	100 00	125 00
Effingham and Valley Falls	Vacant.	
Garnett	150 00	100 00
Hays City		
Hutchinson	250 00	350 00
Lawrence	100 00	
Minneapolis, ...	200 00	
Ottawa	100 00	100 00
Sedalia	340 00	340 00
St. Joseph	Vacant.	450 00
Wellington	50 00	100 00

Respectfully submitted,

H. C. HAITHCOX,
I. B. HEISEY,
F. D. ALTMAN.

Adopted.

Adjourned, with prayer by Rev. J. J. Chambers.

FOURTH BUSINESS SESSION.

FRIDAY, 2 P. M.

Rev. Jacob Schauer led in the opening prayer.

Report of Committee on Literature.

Recognizing the necessity of an intelligent church membership, we urge the importance of having at least one distinctively Lutheran paper in every

home of our church, and we especially recommend the *Missionary Journal* to the hearty support of our people.

We recommend the *Augsburg Lesson Helps* as the equal of anything of their class published, and urge their use by every Lutheran Sunday School in our Synod.

Believing that our own Publication House is deserving of our patronage, and feeling assured that a large amount of Lutheran literature in the homes of our church would be conducive to the Christian growth of our families, we, in compliance with the request made by the Board of Publication, recommend that the President appoint someone in each conference district of Synod to act as agent for the publications of the Society, with the understanding that such appointment shall place no liability on the Synod or its President. The pastors of our churches are requested to give whatever assistance they can to such agents when they visit their congregations.

J. F. SCHERER,
R. B. WOLF,
W. A. MICKLEY.

Adopted.

The President appointed the following, as above directed, to circulate Lutheran literature:

Northeast Conference—Rev. L. S. Keyser.

Northwest Conference—Rev. J. F. Scherer.

Southwest Conference—Rev. A. M. Reitzel.

An invitation was extended the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society to have their box-packing in St. Mark's Church, at the close of the evening service. Brother L. S. Keyser was appointed to extend the invitation of Synod.

Report of Committee on Beneficiary Education.

Your committee would offer the following report:

During the past scholastic year aid was given in the sum of \$150 to Mr. A. F. Dresel, M. D., of the Western Theological Seminary; \$100 to Mr. Frederick Shirck; and \$75 to Mr. Charles McCulloch, of the College. The reports from the Presidents of these institutions indicate that the young brethren have been faithful in the prosecution of their work.

Mr. A. F. Dresel does not apply for aid for the current year.

Mr. Hugo Hoffman, of Jamaica, Long Island, N. Y., the son of a Lutheran minister and a prospective student of the Western Theological Seminary, is an applicant for aid to the amount of \$50.

We recommend:

I. That aid be given Mr. Frederick Shirck in the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100).

II. That the committee be empowered to aid Mr. Hugo Hoffman in the sum of fifty dollars (\$50), if upon investigation it be deemed advisable.

III. That all our congregations and pastors be reminded of the rule of Synod that contributions for this cause be made early in the Synodical year, in order that our beneficiaries may be promptly paid.

IV. That the apportionment be 10 cents per member.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN F. SEIBERT,
JAMES M. CROMER.

Adopted.

On motion, the hour of 10 A. M., Saturday, was fixed as the time for hearing the report of the Committee on Theological and Literary Institutions.

Report of Committee on President's Report.

The document placed in our hands is the annual report of the President of Synod.

It is a statement of his official acts and an exhibit of the ecclesiastical changes and occurrences within our Synodical borders during the year. It contains also his impressions of the state of religion in our churches as gleaned from observation and reports sent to him. There is nothing in the report demanding special attention by Synod.

We recommend that the official acts of our President be hereby declared ratified; and the thanks of the Synod be expressed to him for his faithfulness in the discharge of the duties of the office.

Respectfully submitted,

F. D. ALTMAN,
E. E. STAUFFER,
H. W. MCAFEE.

Adopted.

Report of Committee on Vacancies.

The following charges are reported vacant by the President of Synod:

Banner City, Barnes and Greenleaf, Chapman, Effingham and Valley Falls, Jerico, Leavenworth, Sabetha, St. Joseph and Vinland. A total of nine. Five of these are mission points, and have been partly considered in the report of the Advisory Board of Synod on Home Missions.

Barnes and Greenleaf have just become vacant, and no doubt will desire to secure a pastor soon.

Leavenworth and Sabetha have been supplied by students of the Western Theological Seminary since June 1st. Jerico has had the ministrations of Rev. J. A. Lowe, who is teaching in that place. There are two congregations in the charge, and he has preached to them occasionally during the year.

Several attempts have been made to locate a pastor in the Chapman charge, but without success thus far. Banner City pastorate seems anxious for a minister, but one has not been secured up to the present time.

We see no other way to cancel these vacancies than for the President of Synod, and Advisory Board of same, to co-operate with the charges named and persevere in their efforts until a pastor is located in every field.

Respectfully submitted,

F. D. ALTMAN,
I. B. HEISEY,
H. C. HAITHCOX.

Adopted.

Synod adjourned, with prayer by Rev. D. H. Cramer.

EVENING SERVICE.

FRIDAY, 7.30 P. M.

At this service two excellent addresses were delivered, the one on "Distinguishing Characteristics of the Lutheran Church" by Rev. J. W. Paetznick, of Hanover, Kansas, the other by Rev. Edward P. Schueler, of Kansas City, Mo., on "Distinguishing Doctrines of the Lutheran Church."

FIFTH BUSINESS SESSION.

SATURDAY, 9 A. M.

The devotional service was conducted by Rev. W. E. Brehm. The prayer at the opening of Synod was offered by Rev. N. W. Lilly.

Report of Delegates to the General Synod.

Your delegates are pleased to report a full representation, clerical and lay, at the General Synod, in session at York, Pa., May 25th to June 2d, 1899.

Since a copy of the proceedings of that convention has been sent to every minister, and the press reports, secular and religious, were complete, it will not be necessary for us to report at length.

1. Two years ago your delegation in reporting the Mansfield Convention said it was "one of the most pleasant, harmonious, and hopeful held for some

years." The consensus of opinion was that the York meeting was equally as delightful, and augured as well for the future of our church.

2. The reports of the several Boards were encouraging. The receipts from the churches during the biennium showed an increase, and the heavy indebtedness had either been removed or diminished. The work of Zion is expanding so rapidly that the greatest diligence and utmost aggressiveness are necessary for us to measure up to our privilege.

3. It will be pleasing to learn that the Board of Education received due consideration. There was no disposition to minify its importance. Liberal things were devised for Carthage College, as well as for our beloved Midland College and Western Theological Seminary. Through the kindness of Mr. George Knollenberg, the German Department of our seminary will come into the possession of several thousand dollars.

4. Our Synod has been apportioned the following amounts for each year of this biennium:

Foreign Missions.....	\$641 00
Home Missions.....	721 00
Church Extension.....	641 00
Board of Education.....	462 00
Pastors' Fund.....	308 00
General Synod.....	138 00
Deaconess Board.....	215 00
Home for the Aged.....	154 00

5. The "Ministerial Acts" was before the Synod for final adoption. The report submitted by the committee, with a few verbal changes, was unanimously adopted. We suggest that it be recorded as the judgment of this Synod that the Common Service Committee should include in the "Ministerial Acts" the Order of Communion published in our Book of Worship.

6. The Orphans' Home at Loysville, Pa., was reported to be in a very flourishing condition. New buildings, including the Kunkel Memorial Nursery and the Memorial Chapel, are in process of construction. The Committee on the Establishment of an Orphans' Home in the West announced that a number of offers, more or less indefinite in character, had been received for the location of such a home. A committee was continued with power to open such an institution during the present biennium.

7. In response to memorials from a number of Synods, including our Synod of Kansas, the General Synod took the following action with reference to an official church paper:

Resolved, That it is the judgment of this Synod that such a paper is desirable.

Resolved, That a committee of seven be appointed, who shall take up the matter for careful consideration, and who shall present to the next General Synod a plan for the establishment and management of such a paper.

8. With a view of securing a bond valid in all the States of the Union, the General Synod adopted a "Treasurer's Official Bond" for the use of District

Synods. We suggest the attention of the Trustees of Synod be called to this important action.

9. One of the many delightful features of the sessions was the presence of the Rev. Joseph A. Seiss, D. D., LL. D., as fraternal delegate from the General Council. It was quite fitting that he who led the Pennsylvania Ministerium delegation out of the General Synod at York, in 1864, should have been selected to bear the fraternal greetings from the General Council to the General Synod in session at York, in 1899. The address of Dr. Seiss was as felicitous as the Communion Sermon he preached was excellent.

10. You will be pleased to know that the next convention will be held on Western territory. The meeting at Des Moines, Iowa, two years hence, will prove helpful to our Western work. May we bestir ourselves that our Synod may present a highly creditable report at that time.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN F. SEIBERT,
H. L. YARGER,
H. C. HAITHCOX,
I. B. HEISEY,
R. B. WOLF.

Adopted.

Advisory Board of Home Missions.

Rev. F. D. Altman, D. D., was elected a member for the term of three years.

Election of Trustees.

Brothers J. E. Brewer and J. H. Berlin were elected Trustees of Synod for a period of two years.

On motion, the pastors of missions were instructed to report items of interest concerning the work to the Chairman of the Advisory Board ten days before the meeting of Synod.

Time and Place of Next Meeting.

Wednesday evening, October 3d, 1900, at Waterville, Kansas, Rev. I. B. Heisey, pastor.

Report of Committee on Leave of Absence and Absentees.

The following brethren have asked to be excused from attendance upon this convention or have obtained leave of absence: Revs. D. Scholl, W. M. Sparr, A. B. Kirtland, P. J. Spraker, George A. Bowers, D. D., H. A. Koogler, B. F. Hills, A. Essick, S. Henry, L. C. Groschlose, H. Heigerd, J. A. Lowe, J. W. Kimmel, and A. J. Hartsock; and Messrs. H. H. Frain, J. E. Brewer, J. M. Brubaker, and P. A. Weisgerber.

We recommend that these brethren be excused. We call the attention of the Synod to the following brethren who are absent from the sessions of this Synod without excuse : Revs. George Sanderson and S. C. Chatham.

Respectfully submitted,

L. S. KEYSER,
J. J. CHAMBERS,
W. E. BREHM.

Report adopted, and, on motion, the rule of Synod was ordered enforced and the names of Revs. Sanderson and Chatham stricken from our Synodical roll.

Report of Committee on Calendar.

The Report of the Committee on Calendar was adopted. [See pages 2 and 3 of Minutes.]

The Secretary was instructed to have 1100 copies of the Minutes printed for distribution.

On motion, permission was given to incorporate the Minutes of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society and the Luther League of Kansas with the Minutes of the Synod, the Luther League to defray a proportionate share of the expense of publication.

Mrs. L. S. Keyser, President of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of Kansas, was granted the privilege of the floor, and gave an interesting address on the introduction of Mission Studies in the Sunday school, especially in the primary department.

The following was adopted :

Resolved, We have heard with interest the address of Mrs. Keyser, and that we recommend that our pastors use their influence to have the Mission Studies spoken of introduced in the primary department of our Sunday schools.

Report of Committee on Literary and Theological Institutions.

The only document in the hands of your committee is a catalogue of Midland College and the Western Theological Seminary.

From the catalogue we learn that 180 students, including those who were studying music, were in attendance at the college last year. Of this number, eight were graduated at the last commencement.

When we consider that Midland College was founded but twelve years ago,

and now has a faculty of fourteen professors and teachers and 180 students, we can say: "What hath God wrought?"

Since the last catalogue was published, a valuable addition has been made to the scientific apparatus, in the form of a large and costly telescope, a gift from friends in the East. An observatory has been built and the instrument properly mounted. Additions have been made through the year to the college library; the library of Rev. Dr. F. W. Conrad, of Philadelphia, Pa., has been recently added.

The Trustees have decided to make improvements in Oak Hall. The small debt is to be paid, and an addition put to the building in order to give larger quarters in the main building for the Scientific Department.

Rev. J. N. Lentz has been chosen as Solicitor for the college, and is now at work on the territory. This institution must have our hearty support. Our own children should be educated here, and the young people of our churches should be told of this institution established for them, and every influence possible brought to bear on them to come here for an education. Let our motto be: "Lutheran Colleges for Lutheran Young People."

We wish also to record our gratitude to God for the success given our effort to plant and support a theological seminary on this territory. We venture to say that no seminary ever founded by the General Synod has had a more rapid growth. We learn that eighteen young men are now there preparing for the ministry, and others are expected to enter yet this year.

We look upon the consolidation of our German Seminary of Chicago with the Western Seminary as a happy solution of the German problem in our church, and most earnestly pray the Head of the Church to graciously bless this undertaking. We are pleased to note that hereafter the theological course will be three years instead of two, and that all who come here will have as complete a course as is given in any seminary of our church. May the Lord soon incline the heart of some able steward or stewardess to endow a chair or two in this institution, and thus make permanent this work so long needed in our church in the West.

H. L. YARGER,
C. E. WIRICK,
P. A. WEISGERBER.

Pending the adoption of this report Rev. J. N. Lentz, the College Solicitor, was heard in the interest of Midland College.

Report adopted.

Adjourned, with prayer by Rev. E. F. A. Hantel.

SIXTH BUSINESS SESSION.

SATURDAY, 2 P. M.

Prayer was offered by Rev. C. E. Wirick.

Report of Committee on Parochial Reports.

[See Appendix B, pages 32-37.]

Adopted.

Report of Committee on Apportionment.

Your committee have apportioned the following sums per capita for the objects named :

General Synod	\$0 05
Synodical Treasury	10
Home Missions	25
Foreign Missions	22
Church Extension	22
Board of Education	15
Beneficiary Education	10
Pastors' Fund	10
Deaconess Board	7
Home for the Aged	5
Total	\$1 31

Respectfully submitted,

I. B. HEISEY,
D. H. CRAMER,
J. M. BRUBAKER.

Adopted.

[See Appendix C, pages 38 and 39.]

Report of Committee on Resolutions.

Your Committee on Resolutions would report the following :

Resolved, That this Synod hereby reaffirms its position on the great temperance question, and pledges its support for the proper execution of the law of the State.

Resolved, That we have heard with pleasure the addresses of the Secretaries of the Boards of Home Missions, Church Extension, and Education, and that we pledge anew our support to these Boards.

WHEREAS, The Territory of Utah was admitted to the sisterhood of sovereign States by an Act of Congress which forever prohibited polygamy in said State of Utah ; and

WHEREAS, Brigham Roberts, an avowed polygamist, in direct violation of

said act of admission, has been elected a member of the lower house of Congress; therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas, in annual session assembled in the city of Atchison, this 21st day of October, 1899, That we do hereby enter our solemn protest to his admission to a seat in Congress, and hereby most earnestly urge the Congressmen from Kansas to use all honorable means against his admission to a seat in said Congress, and that the Secretary of Synod be instructed to send a copy of this resolution to every Kansas Congressman.

**Resolved*, That the hearty thanks of this Synod are due to the pastor, members, and friends of St. Mark's congregation for the very kind reception and cordial hospitality accorded to this Synod at this meeting.

Resolved, That we hereby thank the choir of St. Mark's for the very excellent music and the efficient aid rendered in the services of the sanctuary at the meetings of the Synod.

Resolved, That we appreciate the courtesy of the Faculty of Midland College at the visit to the college, and express our pleasure at the signs of progress there shown.

Resolved, That we express our appreciation of the courtesies shown the Synod by the public press of the city.

Resolved, That the President of this body be instructed to convey some expression of our appreciation of all the various acts of kindness shown us, and this be done at some public meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

J. HOWARD STOUGH,
S. PALMER,
E. F. A. HANTEL.

Adopted.

Report of Devotional Committee.

Your committee would respectfully report as follows in reference to the speakers for the services of Sunday:

ST. MARK'S LUTHERAN.

Morning—Rev. S. B. Barnitz, D. D.

Evening—Rev. A. E. Wagner, Ph. D.

Sunday School—Revs. J. J. Chambers, J. F. Scherer, and J. A. Bright.

Christian Endeavor—Revs. A. M. Reitzel, D. H. Cramer, B. F. Kistler, and Paul G. Tonsing.

MIDLAND COLLEGE Y. M. C. A.

Four P. M.—Revs. C. E. Wirick, M. D. Berg, and B. F. Pugh.

FIRST LUTHERAN, KANSAS CITY, MO.

Morning—Rev. H. C. Haithcox, D. D.

LUTHERAN CHURCH, LEAVENWORTH.

Morning—Rev. J. F. Seibert.

LUTHERAN CHURCH, EFFINGHAM.

Morning—Rev. C. E. Wirick.

LUTHERAN CHURCH, MORAY.

Morning—Rev. W. E. Brehm.

PRESBYTERIAN.

Morning—Rev. A. E. Wagner, Ph. D.*Evening*—Rev. J. A. McCulloch.

CONGREGATIONAL.

Morning—Rev. J. M. Cromer*Evening*—Rev. R. B. Wolf.

METHODIST, SOUTH.

Morning—Rev. G. W. W. Amick.*Evening*—Rev. R. B. Whitehill.

BAPTIST.

Morning—Rev. A. M. Reitzel.*Evening*—Rev. J. L. Hammond.

Respectfully submitted,

L. S. KEYSER,
H. C. HAITHCOX,
J. F. SEIBERT.

Moved that when we adjourn we meet at 4.15 P. M. as a Ministerium.

Minutes of morning and afternoon sessions were read and approved.

Adjourned, with prayer by Rev. J. A. Clutz, D. D.

EVENING SERVICE.

SATURDAY, 7.30 P. M.

The addresses of the evening were by Revs. I. B. Heisey and Dr. Frank D. Altman. The former spoke of the "Growth of the Lutheran Church and Its Cause;" the latter upon "The Need of Lutheran Educational Institutions."

SUNDAY EVENING SERVICE.

The sermon was preached by Rev. A. E. Wagner, Ph. D.
Subject: "Luther as a Preacher." It was an excellent theme,
splendidly presented.

After the sermon Messrs. A. F. Dresel, E. H. Combs, W. A.
Livers, and George W. Livers were licensed to preach the
Gospel.

JOHN F. SEIBERT, *Secretary.*

MINISTERIUM.

SATURDAY, 4. 15 P. M.

Rev. J. Howard Stough, Ph. D., made the opening prayer.

Report of the Examining Committee.

The following named gentlemen, members of the Senior Class in the Western Theological Seminary, presented themselves before your committee for examination and licensure: A. F. Dresel, George W. Livers, W. A. Livers, and E. H. Combs.

After a very careful and comprehensive examination, we have unanimously agreed to recommend them for licensure at the present meeting of Synod.

F. D. ALTMAN,
L. S. KEYSER,
J. M. CROMER,
J. HOWARD STOUGH,
H. C. HAITHCOX.

Adopted.

It was moved that the young men mentioned in the report of the Examining Committee be licensed at the Sunday evening service.

Moved, when we adjourn Sunday evening, the Synod stands finally adjourned.

Adjourned, with prayer by Rev. H. C. Haithcox.

JOHN F. SEIBERT, *Secretary.*

Meeting of Board of Trustees.

ATCHISON, KANSAS, OCTOBER 21, 4-30 P. M.

Rev. H. C. Haithcox, D. D., was elected President. Rev. J. F. Seibert was elected Secretary.

The Secretary was instructed to prepare forms for the qualification of members-elect, and forward to them to be executed.

The President was instructed to procure blank bond for Treasurer and have it properly executed.

A resolution to publish an account of this action of the Board of Trustees in the minutes of Synod was adopted.

Adjourned.

JOHN F. SEIBERT, *Secretary.*

APPENDIX A.—Report of the Treasurer

CONGREGATIONS AND CHARGES.	General Synodical Treasury.	Synodical Treasury.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Church Extension.	Board of Education.	Beneficiary Education.
Abilene, Trinity.....	\$5 00	\$21 50	\$27 22	\$19 05	\$26 93	\$36 17	\$27 95
Atchison, St. Mark's.....	2 50	12 70	31 25	28 75	23 75	25 00	16 25
Banner City, Mt. Zion.....							
Banner City, St. James.....	1 00	4 90	3 42		5 00	7 37	11 90
Barnes, Messiah.....	50		6 90	5 84	3 38	4 92	
Barnes (Greenleaf), Trinity.....	50		8 48	7 83	2 00	3 71	3 60
Beloit, Zion.....		3 00	10 15	6 00	3 15		
Bunker Hill, Mt. Zion.....	1 68	5 35	17 50	6 46	2 97	4 00	3 50
Bunker Hill, Excelsior.....			2 48		6 40	9 19	3 36
Chapman, Ebenezer.....			2 15	2 45		2 13	
Chapman, Scherer Memorial.....			5 00			10 20	2 25
Effingham, First Lutheran.....	1 00	5 00					
Effingham, Valley Falls, St. Paul's.....						10 20	
Ellsworth, St. Paul's.....							
Ellsworth, Trinity.....							
Emporia, St. Mark's.....	1 50	8 15	15 00	10 00	18 00	5 00	14 05
East Norway, Evan. Lutheran.....	2 00	9 50	23 75	18 05	18 05	10 00	12 35
Eureka, Christ's.....		2 55	13 01	9 24	9 28	6 00	8 00
Glasco, St. Paul's.....			4 00	2 00		3 00	
Hays City, Trinity.....			7 33				2 28
Hanover, Zion.....	1 35	5 00	32 00	30 45	5 00	10 00	3 00
Hutchinson, Zion.....			14 04	10 50	10 65	10 22	5 00
Jerico, Bethel.....							
Jerico, St. James.....							
Kansas City, Mo., First Lutheran.....				14 57			
Kansas City, Mo., Memorial.....	2 30	11 50	20 26	21 85	21 85	23 00	15 00
Lawrence, English Lutheran.....	2 62	6 00	16 00	31 61	33 38	13 00	9 03
Leavenworth, First Lutheran.....			2 30			2 00	
Minneapolis, St. Paul's.....	1 14	4 20	11 92	6 65	6 65	5 00	2 86
Minneapolis, St. John's.....	1 00	1 00	20 77	2 00	4 00	1 50	1 00
Minneapolis, Grace.....							
Morrill, St. Paul's.....						2 75	
Norcatat, St. Mark's.....	56	2 80	7 00				
Norcatat, Oberlin, St. Paul's.....							
New Cambria, St. Paul's.....	50	1 75	5 15	5 20	1 50	5 05	4 00
New Cambria, New Cambria.....	50	2 50	6 37	5 47	4 75	5 05	3 25
Long Island.....	53	2 60	6 30				
Ottawa, St. Paul's.....	68	3 40	8 50	6 46	6 46	6 80	4 42
Ottawa, Garnett, St. Paul's.....							
Peabody, St. Paul's.....	3 12	15 50	28 75	20 45	20 45	31 00	20 15
Salina, St. John's.....	3 10	8 00	15 62	10 73	24 45		16 50
Sedalia, Trinity.....	1 50	9 00	24 00	15 00	17 10	11 00	11 70
St. Joseph, English Lutheran.....			4 63				
Topeka, First Lutheran.....	2 00	10 00	50 09	27 40	30 65	28 54	3 00
Vinland, St. John's.....				4 00			
Waterville, Evangelical Lutheran.....	1 86	6 00	14 86	8 00	5 00	11 58	11 79
Waterville, Hebron.....	1 12	2 80	6 50	5 00	5 32	5 14	3 64
Wellington, St. John's.....	90	4 30	11 25	8 87	8 13	3 00	5 85
Wellington (Perth), St. James.....	56	4 80	12 00	10 29	9 12	9 60	6 24
Whitewater, Zion.....	50	3 50	18 75	14 25	14 25	9 00	5 00
Total by Congregations.....	\$43 10	\$177 70	\$529 60	\$381 50	\$356 62	\$330 92	\$239 55
INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTIONS.							
Rev. J. B. McAfee.....	1 00	2 00	1 00	1 00			
Rev. J. A. Lowe.....		1 00					
Rev. D. Scholl.....		1 00					
Rev. S. Palmer.....							
Rev. B. F. Hills.....			25 00				
Rev. S. Henry.....	1 00	1 00					
Total Contributions.....	\$45 10	\$182 70	\$555 60	\$382 50	\$356 62	\$330 92	\$239 55
Balance on hand from 1898.....	52 22	61 70	74 87	81 19	86 31	23 31	112 67
Grand Totals.....	\$27 32	\$244 40	\$610 47	\$463 69	\$442 93	\$354 23	\$352 22
Disbursed as per Vouchers.....	82 79	195 39	512 33	400 00	380 00	239 30	325 00
Balance on hand.....	\$14 53	\$149 01	\$208 14	\$263 69	\$262 93	\$114 93	\$27 22

* For Jerico Mission.

of the Kansas Synod for the Year Ending October 16th, 1899.

Pastors' Fund.	Orphans' Home.	Deaconess Board.	Home for Aged.	Total Paid on Apportionment.	Amount Apportioned.	Excess over Apportionment.	Deficit under Apportionment.	Midland College.	Miscellaneous.	Grand Totals.
\$10 00		\$5 00	\$5 00	\$183 82	\$282 72		\$95 90			\$183 82
12 50	\$12 43	4 38	9 25	175 76	164 28	\$11 38		\$6 88		182 64
	2 65			36 24	64 44		27 61			36 24
	3 60			21 54	30 45		17 01			21 54
	37			90 81	48 06		18 85			90 81
				21 67	96 00		74 33	3 55		24 80
				23 55	42 08		16 53			23 55
2 90	8 20	1 19	1 70	66 13	44 71	21 42				66 13
				2 48	36 82		34 34			2 48
				6 73	31 96		24 23			6 73
	2 95	1 00		27 40	67 07		39 67			27 40
					55 23		55 23			
1 85	3 00		3 00	78 95	78 90	5		4 06		83 71
9 50	4 75	3 33	4 75	125 03	124 23	80				125 03
1 00	3 40	75	42	53 65	89 42		35 77	2 69		56 34
	5 38			14 38	134 23		119 75		3 00	17 38
				10 31	72 33		62 02			10 31
5 00	2 00	3 00		97 00		97 00				97 00
84	2 81			55 05	73 64		18 59			55 05
					53 92		53 92			
					39 45		39 45			
				14 57	328 75		314 26			14 57
11 50	5 75	4 00	5 75	151 68	151 23	45				151 68
4 92	6 55	2 59	6 55	132 25	172 47		40 22			132 25
	3 50			7 60	81 53		73 93			7 60
2 50	2 85	1 32	1 75	46 84	74 45		28 21			46 84
	2 43			23 70	68 28		44 66			23 70
				2 75	31 20		28 81			2 75
	1 40			11 76	36 82		25 06			11 76
					34 10		34 10			
3 00	2 50	75	1 00	30 40	53 09		23 50			30 40
2 56	2 03	88	1 25	34 61	32 82	1 79		75		35 36
	1 30			10 92		10 92				10 92
3 40	1 70	1 19	1 70	44 71	44 71					44 71
	1 85			1 85	48 66		46 81			1 85
15 50	8 45	5 43	7 75	204 55	203 21	72		5 00		209 55
	7 75		7 75	93 00	203 21		109 92			93 00
	4 50			93 60	118 35		24 55			93 60
	5 65		5 65	15 93	148 62		132 67			15 93
4 00	2 00	2 00	3 00	161 68	263 00		101 32	3 00		164 68
				4 00	32 88		28 88			4 00
1 00	3 00	50	50	64 09	122 30		58 28			64 09
1 00	1 00	50	50	32 52	36 82		4 30			32 52
4 50	4 25	1 58	1 00	55 83	59 18		3 35			55 83
4 80	5 20	1 68	2 40	67 00	63 12	3 97				67 00
3 00	1 75	1 25	2 26	73 51	98 53		25 02			73 51
\$204 67	\$135 04	\$42 34	\$68 93	\$2409 97	\$4177 68	\$147 80	\$1215 51	\$25 53	\$3 00	\$2438 50
										5 00
										1 00
										1 00
1 00										1 00
										5 00
										2 00
\$105 67	\$135 04	\$42 34	\$68 93						\$3 00	\$2453 50
35 34	60 08	40 62	21 97					\$4 50		672 78
\$143 01	\$204 12	\$31 96	\$50 90					\$30 03	\$3 00	\$3126 28
200 00	158 20	65 00	65 00					25 53	3 00	2522 54
\$47 01	\$45 92	\$26 96	\$23 90					\$4 50		\$604 74

* For German Theological Department, Midland.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. BREWER, Treasurer.

APPENDIX B.—PAROCHIAL REPORT OF THE KANSAS SYNOD.

PAROCHIAL.

PASTORS' NAMES AND ADDRESSES.	CONGREGATIONS, NAMES OF.	LOSSES.										ACCESSIONS.					FINANCES.			Index No. See line with corresponding No. on page below.
		Churches.	Sessions.	Prayer Meetings.	Students for the Ministry.	Catechumens.	Death.	Certificate.	Other Losses.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmations.	Certificate.	Restoration.	Communicant Membership.	Estimated Value of Church Property.	Indebtedness.	Local Expenses for All Objects.		
Abilene, H. C. Hathcox, D. D.	Trinity	1	1	2	12	4	14	7	2	1	6	1	198	\$12000 00	3048 18	\$500 00	\$2048 18			
Atchison, L. S. Keyser.	St. Mark's	1	1	12	12	4	14	7	2	1	6	1	130	7000 00	1651 42	1950 00	1651 42			
Banner City, Vacant.	Mt. Zion	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	40	1500 00	233 00	200 00	233 00			
Barnes and Greenleaf, D. H.	St. James	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	23	1500 00	181 35	200 00	181 35			
Bellot, Paul G. Tensing	Trinity	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	24	2000 00	550 75	350 75	550 75			
Berkley, Paul G. Tensing	Zion's Evangelical Lutheran	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	68	3200 00	400 00	400 00	400 00			
Bunker Hill, R. F. Kistler.	Mt. Zion	1	1	1	8	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	35	2000 00	206 76	400 00	206 76			
Chapman, Vacant.	Excelsior	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	38	2000 00	400 00	400 00	210 69			
Chapman, Vacant.	Ebeneser.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	28	2000 00	200 00	2000 00	210 69			
Chapman, Vacant.	Scherer Memorial.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	24	1000 00	1000 00	1000 00	210 69			
Effingham, Vacant.	First Lutheran, Effingham.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	50	1500 00	203 45	1500 00	203 45			
Effingham, Vacant.	St. Paul's, Valley Falls.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	32	4000 00	43 75	1800 00	43 75			
Ellsworth, Vacant.	Trinity.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	64	13500 00	1015 68	13500 00	1015 68			
Esperanza, C. E. Wirick.	St. Mark's	1	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	92	3000 00	642 90	2800 00	642 90			
East Norway, J. A. Clutz, D. D.	Evangelical Lutheran.	1	1	1	8	2	4	5	5	1	1	1	70	5000 00	569 55	5000 00	569 55			
Eureka, R. K. Wolf.	Christ.	1	1	1	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	55	2250 00	1005 90	2250 00	1005 90			
Hays City, Vacant.	Trinity	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	63	4500 00	2000 00	4500 00	2000 00			
Hutchinson, A. M. Reitzel.	Zion	1	1	1	10	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	63	4500 00	2000 00	4500 00	2000 00			
Hanover, Julius Paetnick.	Zion's Evan. Lutheran.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	63	4500 00	2000 00	4500 00	2000 00			

* Churches not in connection with Synod served by members of Synod.

PAROCHIAL REPORT OF THE KANSAS SYNOD.—Continued.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.				Y. P. SOCIETIES.				RENEWANCE.														
Index Number.	Number of Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Contributions.		Number of Members, including Juniors.	Contributions.		General Synod.	Synodical Treasury.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Church Extension.	Board of Education.	Beneficiary Education.	Woman's Missionary Society.	Pastors' Fund.	Orphans' Home.	Lebanon Board.	Home for the Aged.	External Objects.	Total Benevolence.	Grand Total.
			For Support of School and Local Objects.	For Benevolence.		For Local Objects.	For Benevolence.															
1	24	180	\$92.33	\$46.20	20	\$8.50	.....	\$5.00	\$21.50	\$27.02	\$19.05	\$25.93	\$35.86	\$17.82	\$5.77	\$6.81	.....	\$5.00	\$5.00	.....	\$257.98	\$253.16
2	16	139	91.47	52.62	35	6.00	\$5.00	2.50	12.50	31.25	28.75	23.75	25.00	16.25	55.18	12.50	\$12.75	4.28	6.25	2.00	233.06	1834.48
3	14	80	39.08	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.00	4.00	6.00	5.84	3.58	4.92	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	27.80	283.80
4	11	45	16.38	2.67	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8.48	1.83	2.00	3.11	3.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	21.54	202.92
5	1	9	54.25	40.51	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	29.31	380.04
6	1	7	50.25	0.00	18	6.00	.....	.....	.....	10.15	5.50	3.15	3.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9.00	30.17	439.17
7	1	9	60.36	16.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.00	6.00	4.08	2.97	4.00	3.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	23.55	250.31
8	1	13	75.56	67.81	.....	.....	.....	1.68	5.55	17.50	6.46	6.40	9.19	5.96	.....	2.90	8.30	1.19	1.70	.....	66.13	273.82
9	1	6	37.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.48	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.48	2.48
10	1	12	72.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.15	2.45	.....	2.13	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6.73	6.73
11	1	7	55.16	0.00	2.95	.....	.....	1.00	5.00	5.00	.....	.....	10.20	2.25	.....	.....	2.95	1.00	.....	.....	27.40	230.85
12	1	12	34.15	05.00	.....	9.25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	43.75
13	99	59	59.52	31.65	12	.....	.....	1.20	6.00	15.00	11.40	11.40	12.00	7.80	28.92	6.00	3.00	2.10	3.00	4.06	83.01	1098.09
14	65	44	58.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.00	9.50	23.75	18.05	18.05	19.00	12.35	25.45	9.50	4.75	3.33	4.75	.....	150.48	808.24
15	80	74	94.33	33.93	12	.....	1.66	2.55	13.01	9.24	9.28	6.00	8.00	35.74	1.00	3.40	7.75	4.2	4.35	.....	153.74	663.29
16	14	125	15.77	6.97	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7.33	.....	.....	.....	2.38	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.31	10.31
17	14	103	15.77	.....	30	25.00	3.00	99.00	.....	14.04	10.50	10.65	10.22	5.00	66.00	84.28	.....	.....	.....	.....	120.55	1126.51
18	1	14	103.15	77.69	30	20.00		1.35	5.00	32.00	30.45	5.00	10.00	3.00		5.00	2.00	3.00		40.00	137.00	137.00

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PASTORS' NAMES AND ADDRESSES.	CONGREGATIONS, NAMES OF.	LOSSES.										ACCESSIONS.				FINANCES.			Index No. See line with corresponding No. on page below.
		Churches.	Stations.	Prayer Meetings.	Students for the Ministry.	Catechumens.	Death.	Certificate.	Other Losses.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmations.	Certificate.	Restoration.	Communicant Membership.	Estimated Value of Church Property.	Indebtedness.	Local Expenses for All Objects.	
Jerico, Vacant.....	Bethel.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	41	\$250 00	.....	\$175 00	.....
Kansas City, J. M. Cromer.....	St. James.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	30	500 00	.....	125 00	.....
Kansas City, Edward P. Schueler.....	First Lutheran.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	270	3000 00	1500 00	2400 00	.....
Lawrence, W. E. Brehm.....	Memorial.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	125	2000 00	4500 00	1910 31	.....
Leavenworth, A. F. Dressel, M. D.....	English Lutheran.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	125	2500 00	4500 00	900 00	.....
Minneapolis, J. F. Scherer.....	First Eng. Lutheran.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	35	1000 00	4500 00	320 42	.....
Morrill, Vacant.....	St. Paul's.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	45	6000 00	700 00	112 00	.....
New Cambria, J. J. Chambers.....	Grace.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	34	2500 00	.....	286 88	.....
Norcastor, Jonas Freest.....	St. Paul's.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	50	1000 00	.....	210 36	.....
Ottawa, R. F. Pugh.....	St. Mark's.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	27	2500 00	700 00	250 00	.....
Peabody, G. W. Anick.....	St. Paul's.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	18	1500 00	300 00	50 00	.....
Salina, John F. Schbert.....	St. Paul's.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	38	3000 00	275 00	425 61	.....
St. Joseph, Vacant.....	St. Paul's.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	37	4700 00	1400 00	229 24	.....
Topeka, A. E. Wagner.....	St. Paul's.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	162	5500 00	.....	1074 11	.....
Vinland, R. B. Whitehill, Supply.....	St. John's.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	157	10000 00	500 00	1000 00	.....
	Trinity.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	133	7000 00	3200 00	1114 25	.....
	First Eng. Lutheran.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	113	15000 00	.....	1627 00	.....
	First Lutheran.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	215	15000 00	.....	73 92	.....

* Churches not in connection with Synod served by members of Synod.

PAROCHIAL REPORT OF THE KANSAS SYNOD.—Continued.

PASTORS' NAMES AND ADDRESSES.	CONGREGATIONS, NAMES OF.	PAROCHIAL.														FINANCES.	Index No. See line with corresponding No. on page below.	
		LOSSES.				ACCESSIONS.				FINANCES.								
		Churches.	Stations.	Prayer Meetings.	Students for the Ministry.	Catechumens.	Death.	Certificate.	Other Losses.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmations.	Certificate.	Reformation.	Communicant Membership.			Estimated Value of Church Property.	Indebtedness.	Local Expenses for All Objects.
Waterville, I. B. Helsey.....	Evangelical Lutheran, Waterville.....	1	2	3	35	2	4	9	1	6	5	1	98	\$400 00	\$400 00	\$400 00	\$400 00	\$400 00
Wellington, E. E. Stauffer.....	Hebron.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	29	2500 00	275 00	131 46	320 00	320 00
Whitewater, Maurice D. Berg.....	St. John's.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	47	5000 00	500 00	500 00	500 00	500 00
Totals, October, 1899.....	St. James'.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	50	1500 00	175 00	601 35	282 00	282 00
Totals, October, 1898.....	Zion's.....	44	83	1	230	33	137	98	32	96	92	12	3075	\$231900 00	46025 00	\$236325 19	30721 37	30721 37
Increase.....		43	7	48	9	317	25	91	133	164	67	130	109	51	3077	253300 00	54025 00	30721 37
Decrease.....		1	3	2	87	8	18	16	66	35	63	17	39	2		\$1470 00	\$5500 00	\$7069 18
Glasco, E. F. A. Hantel.....	St. Paul's Evan. Luth.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	90	\$3400 00	\$400 00	\$328 00	\$328 00
Hanover, Julius Puetznick.....	Zion's Evan. Lutheran.....	1	1	1	15	1	5	11	8	1	10	1	36	210	6200 00	.....	675 00	675 00

* Churches not in connection with Synod served by members of Synod.

PAROCHIAL REPORT OF THE KANSAS SYNOD.—Concluded.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.				Y. P. SOCIETIES.				BENEVOLENCE.															
Index Number.	Number of Scholars.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Contributions.		Number of Members, including Juniors.	Contributions.		General Synod.	Synodical Treasury.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Church Extension.	Board of Education.	Beneficiary Education.	Woman's Missionary Society.	Pastors' Fund.	Orphan's Home.	Deaconess Board.	Home for the Aged.	External Objects.	Total Benevolence.	Grand Total.
				For Support of School and Local Objects.	For Benevolence.		For Local Objects.	For Benevolence.															
45	1	15	117	\$23 02	\$9 31	...	\$74 05	\$1 65	\$1 85	\$6 00	\$14 86	\$8 00	\$5 00	\$11 58	\$11 72	\$16 55	\$1 00	\$3 00	\$0 50	\$0 50	.....	\$80 77	\$480 77
46	1	6	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 12	2 80	6 50	5 00	5 32	5 14	3 64	26 45	1 00	1 00	50 50	50 50	.....	53 97	205 43
47	1	8	56	16 25	10 20	.....	.....	.....	90	4 50	11 25	8 87	8 13	5 60	5 85	.....	4 50	4 25	1 58	1 58	2 40	85 83	405 83
48	1	9	80	22 00	18 40	26	.....	.....	96	4 80	12 00	10 29	9 12	9 60	6 24	29 00	4 80	5 20	1 08	2 40	.....	96 00	378 00
49	1	16	135	50 00	.....	43	18 25	3 00	50	3 50	18 75	14 25	14 25	9 00	5 00	32 77	3 00	1 75	1 25	2 50	.....	106 28	707 63
50	42	238	3520	1772 98	\$567 16	501	\$704 66	\$66 01	42 79	176 35	535 29	388 28	340 02	354 08	243 68	731 49	119 22	134 37	47 44	70 05	188 11	\$374 94	\$2743 75
51	41	504	3504	2044 17	654 75	728	409 90	41 50	45 32	175 56	574 87	431 55	386 63	198 88	210 95	612 66	115 71	142 22	35 35	63 87	165 85	3150 70	23068 39
52	1	34	16	.....	.....	117	\$234 76	\$24 51	80 79	.....	.....	.....	.....	155 30	\$32 75	118 83	\$3 51	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$724 64	.....
53	1	10	90	\$271 19	\$47 50	.....	.....	.....	82 55	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
54	1	10	90	\$58 58	\$15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$1 00	\$4 00	\$2 00	\$2 00	\$6 00	\$2 00	.....	\$1 50	\$5 38	.....	.....	.....	\$23 88	\$531 88
55	1	10	120	25 00	10 00	45	\$20 00	.....	\$1 55	5 00	\$2 00	\$0 30	45 5 00	10 00	3 00	.....	5 00	2 00	\$3 00	.....	\$40 00	137 00	\$12 00

OF THE KANSAS SYNOD.

APPENDIX C.—Apportionment Table for 1899-1900.

CONGREGATIONS AND CHARGES.	Membership.											Total.
	General Synod.	Synodical Treasury.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Church Extension.	Board of Education.	Beneficiary Education.	Pastors' Fund.	Orphans' Home.	Deaconess Board.	Home for Aged.	
Per capita.....	5	10	25	22	22	15	10	10	10	7	5	1 31
Abilene, Trinity.....	\$9 90	\$19 80	\$49 50	\$43 56	\$43 56	\$29 70	\$19 80	\$19 80	.....	\$13 86	\$9 90	\$59 38
Atchison, St. Mark's.....	6 00	12 00	30 00	26 40	26 40	18 00	12 00	12 00	.....	8 40	6 00	157 20
Banner City, Mt. Zion.....	1 05	2 10	5 25	4 62	4 62	3 15	2 10	2 10	.....	1 47	1 05	27 50
Banner City, St. James.....	2 45	4 90	12 25	10 78	10 78	7 35	4 90	4 90	.....	3 43	2 45	64 19
Barnes, Messiah.....	23	1 15	2 30	5 75	5 06	3 45	2 30	2 30	.....	1 61	1 15	30 13
Barnes (Greenleaf), Trinity.....	24	1 20	2 40	6 00	5 28	3 60	2 40	2 40	.....	1 68	1 20	31 44
Beloit, Zion's.....	68	3 40	6 80	17 00	14 96	10 20	6 80	6 80	.....	4 76	3 40	89 08
Bunker Hill, Mt. Zion.....	35	1 75	3 50	8 75	7 70	5 25	3 50	3 50	.....	2 45	1 75	45 85
Bunker Hill, Excelsior.....	38	1 90	3 80	9 50	8 36	5 70	3 80	3 80	.....	2 66	1 90	49 78
Chapman, Ebenezer.....	28	1 40	2 80	7 00	6 16	4 20	2 80	2 80	.....	1 96	1 40	36 68
Chapman, Scherer Memorial.....	24	1 20	2 40	6 00	5 28	3 60	2 40	2 40	.....	1 68	1 20	31 44
Effingham, First Lutheran.....	50	2 50	5 00	12 50	11 00	7 50	5 00	5 00	.....	3 50	2 50	65 50
Effingham, Valley Falls, St. Paul's.....	32	1 60	3 20	8 00	7 04	4 80	3 20	3 20	.....	2 24	1 60	41 92
Emporia, St. Mark's.....	64	3 20	6 40	16 00	14 08	9 60	6 40	6 40	.....	4 48	3 20	83 84
East Norway, Evan. Lutheran.....	92	4 60	9 20	23 00	20 24	13 80	9 20	9 20	.....	6 44	4 60	120 52
Eureka, Christ's.....	70	3 50	7 00	17 50	15 40	10 50	7 00	7 00	.....	4 90	3 50	91 70
Garnett, St. Paul's.....	37	1 85	3 70	9 25	8 14	5 55	3 70	3 70	.....	2 59	1 85	48 47
Hays City, Trinity.....	55	2 75	5 50	13 75	12 10	8 25	5 50	5 50	.....	3 85	2 75	72 05
Hutchinson, Zion's.....	63	3 15	6 30	15 75	13 86	9 45	6 30	6 30	.....	4 41	3 15	82 53
Jerico, Bethel.....	41	2 05	4 10	10 25	9 02	6 15	4 10	4 10	.....	2 87	2 05	53 71
Jerico, St. James.....	30	1 50	3 00	7 50	6 60	4 50	3 00	3 00	.....	2 10	1 50	39 30
Kansas City, Mo., First Lutheran	270	13 50	27 00	67 50	59 40	40 50	27 00	27 00	.....	18 90	13 50	353 70

Apportionment Table for 1899-1900.—*Concluded.*

CONGREGATIONS AND CHARGES.	Membership.	General Synod. Treasury.	Synodical Treasury.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Church Extension.	Board of Education.	Beneficiary Education.	Pastors' Fund.	Orphans' Home.	Deaconess Board.	Home for Aged.	Total.
Per capita.....	125	5	10	25	22	22	25	10	10	10	7	5	1 31
Kansas City, Mo., Child'n's Mem.	125	\$6	\$12	\$31	\$27	\$27	\$18	\$12	\$12	.....	\$8	\$6	\$25 \$163 75
Lawrence, English Lutheran...	126	6	30	31	27	27	18	12	12	.....	8	82	6 30 165 06
Leavenworth, First Eng. Luth.	57	2	85	14	12	12	8	55	5	.....	3	99	2 85 74 67
Long Island, St. Paul's.....	18	90	1	80	4	3	96	2	70	.....	1	26	90 23 58
Minneapolis, St. Paul's.....	35	1	75	3	50	8	75	7	70	.....	2	45	1 75 45 85
Minneapolis, St. John's.....	45	2	25	4	50	11	25	9	90	.....	3	15	2 25 58 95
Morrill, St. Paul's.....	24	1	20	2	40	6	00	5	28	.....	1	68	1 20 31 44
New Cambria, New Cambria...	41	2	95	4	10	25	9	02	7	.....	2	87	2 05 51 71
New Cambria, St. Paul's.....	50	2	50	5	00	12	50	7	50	.....	3	50	2 50 95 50
Norcutt, St. Mark's.....	27	1	35	2	70	6	75	5	94	.....	1	89	1 35 35 37
Ottawa, St. Paul's.....	38	1	90	3	80	9	50	8	36	.....	2	66	1 90 49 78
Peabody, St. Paul's.....	162	8	10	16	20	40	56	35	64	.....	11	34	8 10 212 22
Salina, St. John's.....	157	7	85	15	70	39	25	34	54	.....	10	99	7 85 205 67
Sedalia, Trinity.....	83	4	15	8	30	20	75	18	26	.....	5	81	4 15 108 73
St. Joseph, First Eng. Lutheran.	113	5	65	11	30	28	25	24	86	.....	7	91	5 65 148 03
Topeka, First Lutheran.....	215	10	75	21	50	53	75	47	30	.....	15	05	10 75 281 65
Vinland, St. John's.....	26	1	30	2	60	6	50	5	72	.....	1	82	1 30 34 06
Waverille, Evangelical Lutheran	98	4	90	9	80	24	50	21	66	.....	6	86	4 90 138 38
Waterville, Hebron.....	29	1	45	2	90	7	35	7	38	.....	2	03	1 45 37 99
Wellington, St. John's.....	47	2	35	4	70	11	75	10	34	.....	3	79	2 35 61 57
Wellington, St. James.....	50	2	50	5	00	12	50	11	00	.....	3	70	2 50 65 50
Whitewater, Zion's.....	77	3	85	7	70	19	25	16	94	.....	5	29	3 85 160 87

DIRECTORY, 1899-1900.

OFFICERS.

President—Mrs. L. S. KEYSER, Atchison.
 First Vice-President—Mrs. ELLA C. BEEGLE, Atchison.
 Second Vice-President—Mrs. I. B. HEISEY, Waterville.
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 Recording Secretary—Miss J. A. MAEDEL, Kansas City Memorial Church.
 Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. MAURICE D. BERG, Whitewater.
 Treasurer—Mrs. G. S. FUNK, Peabody.
 Historian—Mrs. O. J. PETERS, Abilene.

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SOUTHWEST.

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Mrs. H. L. HUMPHREY, *Chairman*;
 Mrs. A. BARBER, Mrs. C. JOHNTZ.

AUXILIARY SOCIETIES AND DATES OF ORGANIZATION.

Northeast Conference.

Atchison 1885
 Barnes
 East Norway 1881
 Effingham 1893
 Kansas City (First Church) 1884
 Kansas City (Memorial Church) 1884
 Lawrence 1886
 Leavenworth 1899
 Ottawa 1885
 Topeka 1881

Northwest Conference.

Abilene 1880
 Bunker Hill 1898

Hebron 1879
 Minneapolis 1895
 New Cambria 1888
 Norcatur
 Salina 1882
 Waterville 1879

Southwest Conference.

Denver 1885
 Emporia 1885
 Eureka 1898
 Hutchinson 1889
 Peabody 1885
 Perth 1894
 Whitewater 1889

PROCEEDINGS OF THE
NINETEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION
OF THE
Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society
OF THE
KANSAS SYNOD,

CONVENED IN

Atchison, Kansas, October 19-20, 1899.

Mrs. Jacob Schauer conducted the praise service which preceded the opening of the Nineteenth Annual Convention of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Kansas Synod.

The meetings convened Thursday and Friday, October 19th and 20th, in Atchison, Kansas.

FIRST SESSION.

In the absence of the President, Mrs. L. S. Keyser, First Vice-President, presided.

Mrs. H. L. Yarger read the address of welcome, to which Mrs. C. E. Osmond responded.

Credentials were received, and the following names were enrolled :

Officers.

Mrs. L. S. Keyser,	Mrs. G. S. Funk,
Mrs. A. M. Reitzel,	Miss Josephine A. Maedel.

Life Members.

Mrs. Alice G. Bond,	Mrs. Ella C. Beegle,
Mrs. J. M. Cromer,	Mrs. E. Donnemeyer,
Mrs. Jacob Schauer,	Mrs. J. B. Wherfel.

Delegates.

Atchison—Mrs. Jacob Schauer.
 Atchison—Mrs. O. B. Running.
 Abilene—Mrs. H. L. Humphrey.
 Moray—Mrs. Ladwig.
 Emporia—Mrs. H. C. Roehrig.
 Eureka—Mrs. Anna Barger.
 Eureka—Mrs. C. E. Osmond.
 Hebron—Mrs. Sarah Kistler.
 Hutchinson—Mrs. A. M. Reitzel.
 Lawrence—Mrs. A. R. Brehm.
 Lawrence—Miss Belle Schell.
 Kansas City, Mo. (Memorial Church)—Miss Hester Sappenfield.
 Kansas City, Mo. (Memorial Church)—Miss Louise Georges.
 Leavenworth—Mrs. Josephine Barnett.
 Leavenworth—Mrs. J. W. Kimmel.
 Peabody—Miss Mayme Worthington.
 Salina—Mrs. A. G. Bond.
 Topeka—Miss Mary Maxwell.
 Perth—Mrs. E. E. Stauffer.
 Waterville—Mrs. Schirck.
 Whitewater—Mrs. Maurice D. Berg.
 Sedalia, Mo.—Mrs. Rohwer.

Visitors.

St. Joseph, Mo.—Mrs. Emma G. Groneeg.
 Hanover—Miss Bertha H. Koenig.
 Topeka—Mrs. F. A. Haiman.

Kansas City, Mo.—Mrs. J. M. Cromer.

Waterville—Mrs. I. B. Heisey.

Topeka—Mrs. Louise M. Tinker.

Topeka—Mrs. A. E. Wagner.

Lawrence—Mrs. C. J. Erickson.

Sedalia, Mo.—Miss Anna Rohwer.

New Cambria—Mrs. J. J. Chambers.

Salina—Mrs. Elizabeth Donnemeyer.

Kansas City, Mo.—Mrs. Rose W. Geiger.

Geary—Miss Agnes R. Richards.

Salina—Mrs. J. M. McCulloch.

Atchison—Mrs. H. L. Yarger.

The annual address of the President was read by Miss Richards.

President's Address.

My Dear Co-workers: Ten years have swiftly gone since last we met in Atchison, and it is with grateful hearts we remember the lovingkindness of our Heavenly Father, who has permitted some of us to again assemble here. We remember with pleasure the kind hospitality of the people of this congregation. As we look over the faces of those assembled here, we note but few of those who greeted us before. Where are they now? Some whose warm hands we clasped have gone to the heavenly city "to be ever with their Lord." Their work here was finished, their course was run, and they have gone to receive the crown "which fadeth not away, eternal in the heavens." Others have come to fill the vacancies, and still the work goes on.

Another decade has gone into the past, another milestone reached. Our progress has been quite encouraging; possibly we have accomplished more than we hoped ten years ago, but we must still ask ourselves, Have we done all we could? Have we improved each opportunity as it has come to us?

To-day we meet in our Nineteenth Annual Convention with closed records of another year's work. We thank God for this meeting; we praise Him for His goodness and tender mercies, and ask for His guidance in all we shall say and do in the sessions of this convention, that all may be done to the honor and glory of God.

A backward glance over the past twelve months shows us much that is imperfect in our work, much that is incomplete, many mistakes that we have made; but we bring it all to Him, unworthy though it is, knowing that He who marks a sparrow's fall will accept and bless the humblest efforts of His children.

Our success as a Synodical Society has been quite encouraging. Other officers will report the work in detail, but it is my privilege to commend past

faithfulness, as well as to solicit continued and increased effort. Let us not be satisfied with past achievements, but press onward and upward toward greater things.

What a blessed privilege we as mission workers enjoy to-day over those of twenty years ago; how much easier it is to be mission workers; and should we not make grateful recognition of our privileges by a more consecrated effort to give of our time and means to the Master?

As you all know, ours is a work of both Home and Foreign Missions. Our home work consists of building churches and assisting in the salaries of pastors. For a few years no new churches have been built. At the last session of the General Convention, however, it was deemed advisable to again take up work of this kind. Hence a pledge was made to the people of Grace Church, Scranton, Pa., for four thousand dollars to assist in building a new church. This is a very worthy object, and it is desired to raise the full amount this year. In order to accomplish this, each Synodical Society has been apportioned according to its membership, thus equalizing the responsibility. Our apportionment is \$70. It is needless for me to insist on you to see to it that the sum be raised. You know your duty, and have always faithfully performed it. Let each delegate, as she returns home to her society, report this new object, and then set about to raise her share before the close of another year.

Encouraging progress has been made in our foreign fields, India and Africa. In India we have six women missionaries. They have charge of the Dispensary Hospital, Girls' Boarding School, fourteen Sunday schools, and Zenana work. Our Mohammedan Industrial School has for its superintendent Mrs. Harpster, wife of Rev. Dr. Harpster. Mrs. L. B. Wolf, also the wife of one of our missionaries, is giving assistance in the schools.

In Africa we have a dormitory for the girls. This school work is under the charge of Sister Augusta V. Shaffer and Miss Mary F. Van Leer. By careful study of the woman's department of the *Missionary Journal* it is possible for each member of the society to be acquainted with the obligations we have assumed in our part of the Lord's vineyard.

ANNUAL THANK OFFERING.

The annual thank offering, I am pleased to say, was considerably larger than that of last year. What will we do this year? Can we not make it still larger, and thereby show a spirit of true thankfulness to the God who has so abundantly blessed us and watched over us through the past year? A good service has been arranged, and the little gray envelopes will again be distributed. As long as we have one single blessing through the year, let us not neglect this opportunity of showing our gratitude to our Heavenly Father.

SUPPORT OF BED IN INDIA HOSPITAL.

Each Synodical Society is asked to raise \$50 a year for the support of a bed

in the India Hospital, that is, to keep one room, providing medicine and care for the sick for one year. You will be pleased to know we have raised that sum for this year.

THE JUBILEE MEMORIAL FUND.

We were indeed gratified in the offering made by the societies to this fund. Our offering was good. The society at Abilene deserve special mention for their generosity toward this object. Loyal and true you all have been, and deserve commendation.

And now, as we are about to enter the door of a new Synodical year, though the outline is dim, we know not what awaits us. Some of us may be called to render an account of our stewardship; may we indeed be found faithful. What will we do with the young people and children in our congregations for the coming year? Shall we not make every effort possible to bring them in touch with our work, that as we may one by one leave the field of action have someone trained to fill our places? It is a duty we owe our young people to interest them in the cause of missions. Can there not be some special effort made to enlist more young people and children into Young People's Societies and Mission Bands?

In our Woman's Societies the percentage of membership of women is entirely too small for the number of women in our congregations to-day. Let it be the work of each individual member of the auxiliary societies to at least bring one member into her society this year.

And now, dear sisters, while we work let us not forget that great lever—prayer—for our work. We find many Marys and Marthas in the world, but let us not forget that good part, Mary-like, "to sit at the Master's feet." In the hurry and flurry of the world to-day we too often lose much by not being more like Mary. So let us have our quiet hour with our God, that we may be better equipped for the duties of the day. Oh, that we would

Take time to be holy, speak oft with thy Lord:
Abide in Him always, and feed on His word.
Make friends of God's children, help those who are weak,
Forgetting in nothing His blessing to seek.

Take time to be holy, the world rushes on;
Spend much time in secret with Jesus alone;
By looking to Jesus, like Him thou shalt be,
Thy friends in thy conduct His likeness shall see.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

As we should plan for next year's work, therefore I would recommend:

1. That an effort be made to enlist more of the women in our respective congregations into our societies, in interesting Young People's Societies in missionary work, and in organizing Children's Bands; that some person interested in young people be appointed as organizer, whose duty it shall be to endeavor to form Missionary Societies and Children's Bands in congregations not having the same.

2. That the assessment for literature be sent in to the Synodical Treasurer in September instead of December, as heretofore.

3. That auxiliary societies elect delegates not later than September 1st and send them to the Synodical President at once.

4. That we again raise \$50 for the support of the bed in the India Hospital next year, and \$70 for the church at Scranton, Pa.

Respectfully submitted,

NETTIE L. HOFFER.

Referred to committee.

Conversation on Auxiliary Society Work followed, in which all delegates and some visitors took part. Among other things, the importance of devoting the funds of the Missionary Society wholly to the objects of the General Society was emphasized.

A letter from Norcatur, enclosing \$5.00 for the Synodical Treasury, was read and referred to the Convention Committee.

Mrs. E. S. Funk reported the General Convention. Mrs. Bond also spoke on the work of the General Society as outlined in the printed Minutes, and urged a thorough study of the Minutes by each auxiliary society.

Historian's Report.

Mrs. President: Your Historian during the year has added to the collection a copy of Minutes of last convention, with programme of same. Also the *Missionary Journals* and Mission Studies up to date. Memorial sketches of a few of our departed workers have been clipped from church papers and added to the "Scrap Book." Also other missionary items of interest. Exchange of Minutes have also been made with other Synodical Societies, and these have been added to the collection. I expressed the hope in my report of last year that the historical record of each auxiliary society would be complete by the Convention of 1899. I regret to say not one sketch received. Will delegates please take note of this, and report the same to your auxiliaries? Soon the second decade of this society will have passed into history. Concerning the Tithe Legion Cards distributed at our last convention, with instructions to be filled and sent to your Historian, not any reported. Possibly some have practiced this plan who either object or neglect to report the same. Sentiment in favor of systematic or proportionate giving is growing. Of the "Thanksgiving Memorial" Cards your Historian has no record as to the extent of their use in this Synodical Society—only two societies reported. No deaths have been reported. The Historian asks all auxiliaries to forward, as soon as possible, names of all life members in their respective societies in order that a complete list may be obtained.

Thus far the following have been reported: Mrs. M. J. Schauer, Atchison; Mrs. Ella C. Beegle, Atchison; Mrs. J. M. Cromer, First Church, Kansas

City; Mrs. J. B. Werfel, Hutchinson; Mrs. Donmeyer, Salina; Mrs. Alice G. Bond, Salina.

The day of our second decade is fast nearing its close. Soon to-day's sunshine will become that of to-morrow. And as the last page in the book of this *history* is turned down, may the brightness of the good we have *tried* to do far surpass the shadows of the failures we have made. And, while the setting sun fills all the day with sweet good-by when the day is done, so we bring to you our best wishes, and, as we enter the new year, may we become more diligent because "the night cometh when no man can work."

Respectfully submitted,

OLIVE J. PETERS,

Historian.

Second Vice-President's Report.

To the Officers and Members of the W. H. and F. M. Society, Greeting: Earnest effort has been made in the past year in the Southern Conference to increase the membership of the societies and to organize Children's Bands. One band was organized in Hutchinson with twenty members.

Hoping that you will have a pleasant convention,

In His name,

C. V. WHEREFEL,

Second Vice-President.

At 11.30 we adjourned for a short season of social intercourse.

SECOND SESSION.

A hymn, and prayer by the President, and the second session was opened.

Twenty-two delegates responded to roll call.

Minutes were read and approved.

Convention Committees.

President's Address and Printed Minutes—Mrs. Bond, Mrs. Yarger, Miss Schell.

Letters and Papers—Mrs. Berg, Mrs. Running, Mrs. Roehrig.

Resolutions—Mrs. Heisey, Mrs. Barger, Mrs. Humphrey.

Treasurer's Report—Mrs. Reitzel, Mrs. Schauer.

Vice-President's and Historian's Reports—Mrs. Brehm, Mrs. Osmond, Miss Georges.

Corresponding Secretary's Report—Miss Worthington, Miss Sappenfield.

Box-work and Literature Committees' Reports—Mrs. S. Kistler, Mrs. Ladwig, Miss Maedel.

Annual Report of the Corresponding Secretary for the Year Ending October, 1899.

LOCATION.	Organized.	PRESIDENT.	MEMBERS.			CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.	Average Attendance.	Journals.	Children's Missionary Journals.	MONTHLY MEETINGS.
			Active.	Honorary.	Life.					
1. Abilene.....	1880	Mrs. O. J. Peters.....	27	1	2	Mrs. Eleanor Ellison.....	14 1/2	21	.....	2d Tuesday.
2. Atchison.....	1885	Mrs. H. L. Yarger.....	11	1	2	Mrs. E. C. Beegle.....	7 1/2	23	.....	1st Thursday.
3. Denver.....	1885	Mrs. Dunn.....	20	1	2	Marie Mendel.....	10	18	.....	2d Thursday.
4. Emporia.....	1885	Mrs. John Hoffer.....	20	2	2	Mrs. W. F. Stowe.....	7 1/2	11	.....	1st Wednesday.
5. Eureka.....	1898	Mrs. J. B. Barger.....	18	1	2	Mrs. Mollie Smith.....	9 1/2	15	.....	Last Wednesday.
6. Hebron.....	1879	Mrs. Sarah Kistler.....	11	2	2	Mrs. Laura E. Rice.....	5 1/2	6	.....	2d Thursday.
7. Hutchinson.....	1880	Mrs. J. B. Wherfel.....	12	1	2	Mrs. A. M. Reitzel.....	7	8	.....	1st Thursday.
8. Kansas City, Memorial.....	1884	Miss Hester Sappenfield.....	19	5	1	Miss Louise Georges.....	10 1/2	15	.....	1st Thursday.
9. Kansas City, First Church.....	1884	Mrs. J. M. Cromer.....	15	2	2	Mrs. M. C. Ross.....	14 1/2	6	.....	1st Thursday.
10. Lawrence.....	1886	Mrs. Monroe.....	15	1	2	Miss Belle Schell.....	6	8	.....	2d Thursday.
11. Moray.....	1881	Mrs. Ludwig.....	16	2	2	Mrs. Anna Hardy.....	12 1/2	11	.....	1st Thursday.
12. Minneapolis.....	1885	Mrs. Mary Bardonar.....	8	5	2	Mrs. Amy L. Walcott.....	6	6	.....	1st Wednesday.
13. Ottawa.....	1885	Mrs. C. C. Martin.....	9	1	2	Mrs. B. F. Pugh.....	5 1/2	10	.....	1st Wednesday.
14. Peabody.....	1885	Mrs. A. Bender.....	27	1	2	Mrs. J. S. Schroeder.....	12	25	.....	1st Wednesday.
15. Perth.....	1885	Mrs. Mary Mickle.....	12	1	2	Anna Jacobs.....	7	4	.....	1st Thursday.
16. Salina.....	1882	Mrs. Wm. Berg.....	36	2	2	Mrs. M. A. Northstein.....	10	10	40	1st Thursday.
17. Topeka.....	1881	Mrs. F. A. Harmon.....	21	1	2	Mrs. S. H. Price.....	10 1/2	23	.....	1st Thursday.
18. Waterville.....	1879	Mrs. Hiram Runkle.....	10	3	1	Miss F. S. Bancroft.....	6	9	.....	2d Saturday.
19. Whitewater.....	1889	Mrs. M. A. Acke.....	20	1	2	Mrs. M. Berg.....	5 1/2	.....	.....	2d Wednesday.
19 Societies.....	.....	Totals.....	327	23	15	.....	.....	229	40	.....

Report of Corresponding Secretary.—*Concluded.*

LOCATION.	Organized.	PRESIDENT.	MEMBERS.			CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.	Average Attendance.	Journals.	Children's Missionary Journals.	MONTHLY MEETINGS.
			Active.	Honorary.	Life.					
YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.										
Atchison.....	1890	Lizzie Snell.....	7			Jennie Schauer.....				1st Sunday.
1 Society.										
CHILDREN'S MISSION BANDS.										
Atchison.....	1891	Oliver Altman.....	26			Mrs. H. L. Yarger.....	13½		40	Alternate Sunday
Hutchinson.....	1899	Grace Clark.....	24			Laella Warren.....	17			1st Sunday.
Lawrence.....	1887	Mattie Meyers.....	33	1		Julia E. Huft.....	16	24		1st Sunday.
K. C. Memorial.....	1885	Miss Gladys Colt.....	35			.....	14			1st Sunday.
Eureka.....	1899	Miss Gertrude Walters.....	25			Esther Guey.....	15			Wednesday of each week.
5 Societies.		Totals.....	153						40	
Grand Total.....	25 Societies.		487	24	15	526 Members.		253		

Mrs. A. M. REITZEL, Corresponding Secretary.

Referred.

Treasurer's Report for the Year Ending September 30th, 1899.

AUXILIARY SOCIETIES AND BANDS.

	Synodical Fec.	Literature.	General Fund.	Thank Offering.	Support of Students in Africa.	Support of Miss Van Leer, Africa.	Support of Bed in India Hospital.	Fishing and Fur-ishing Hospital in India.	Twentieth Year Jubilee Offering.	Total.
Abilene.....	1 30		27 00	1 14	00		50		6 00	36 94
Atchison.....	1 00	\$4 75	10 50	3 00			3 00		5 00	31 00
Denver.....	1 50		18 30	3 95			4 00		5 00	36 75
East Norway.....	1 00	95	9 00	3 55			3 00	\$1 10	9 00	34 55
Emporia.....	1 00		12 35				3 50		3 70	31 55
Evans.....	1 00		15 80	3 85			1 00		1 00	32 65
Hebron.....	1 00	50	11 00	2 85			1 00		3 50	30 35
Hutchinson.....	1 00		24 00				3 00		3 00	34 00
Kansas City, First Church.....	1 00		27 60			\$4 00	3 00		7 50	51 60
Kansas City, Memorial.....	1 00		13 70	9 30			3 00		3 40	30 80
Lawrence.....	1 00	50	11 45	3 95			4 70		5 50	30 80
Minneapolis.....	1 00		10 00	8 05			6 50	4 00	1 40	30 00
Ottawa.....	1 00		38 50	3 14	25 00				4 00	11 80
Perth.....	1 00		7 80						7 00	11 80
Salina.....	1 50		22 80	6 65					4 00	40 95
Wapacora.....	3 00		25 80	6 50					4 00	39 30
Whitewater.....	3 35		12 00	1 80			3 10		3 00	26 25
Whitewater.....	1 00		14 95	5 70			3 50		3 00	28 15
Atchison Young People's Society.....	1 00		1 17			5 00			3 00	10 17
Atchison Children's Band.....	1 00		1 70					1 50	3 80	6 70
Emporia Children's Band.....	1 00		3 30						3 80	8 10
Lawrence Children's Band.....	1 00		3 30						3 80	8 10
Peabody Children's Band.....	1 00		4 65						4 00	9 65
Collection at Convention, 1898.....	9 11						95			9 11
Total.....	\$37 96	\$3 00	\$358 80	\$72 80	\$68 00	\$11 00	\$48 95	\$6 60	\$86 95	\$679 90
Balance on hand from last Report.....	19 06	50	19 00							38 56
Grand Totals.....	\$56 38	\$3 50	\$377 80	\$72 80	\$68 00	\$11 00	\$48 95	\$6 60	\$86 95	\$688 50
Disbursements.....	24 19	3 50	377 80	72 80	20 00	11 00	48 95	6 60	86 95	653 39
Balance on hand.....	\$35 13									\$35 13

* Life membership for Mrs. J. A. Robinson included in General Fund.
Respectfully submitted, Mrs. EMMA J. FUNK, Treasurer.

Referred.

Report of Literature Committee.

At the annual convention of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Kansas Synod at Hutchinson, in October, 1899, the following were appointed as the Literature Committee: Mrs. Humphrey, Mrs. Johnitz, and Mrs. Barber, all of Abilene. During the year tracts have been sent to Peabody, Perth, Salina, Ottawa, Hutchinson, Whitewater, Topeka, Abilene, Emporia (3 copies), Atchison, Kansas City (First Church), Kansas City (Memorial), Minneapolis, Thomas, Moray, and Lawrence.

Mission Studies have been sent to Lawrence (2), Peabody, Perth, Atchison (5), Ottawa, Hutchinson, Whitewater (2), Topeka, Leavenworth, Abilene (2), Emporia, Kansas City (First Church), Kansas City (Memorial), Hebron, Minneapolis, Emporia, and Moray.

Financial Statement.**RECEIPTS.**

Cash on hand October, 1898.....	\$0 22	
For 19 Tracts	4 75	
For 24 Mission Studies.....	6 00	
Appropriation	5 00	
		\$15 97

DISBURSEMENTS.

For Tracts	\$3 09	
For Mission Studies.....	6 00	
For Postage.....	5 41	
Balance on hand October, 1899.....	1 47	
		\$15 97

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. H. L. HUMPHREY.

Referred to committee.

An invitation was received from Dr. Clutz, President of Midland College, to visit the college Friday evening at 4 o'clock. This was unanimously accepted, but the convention later on felt the necessity of foregoing the pleasure on account of lack of time.

Report of Committee on Box-work.

Our box-work this year, as heretofore, has been the preparation of a box for a home missionary, and the prompt and generous response on the part of the auxiliaries has been most gratifying to the committee.

The missionary selected this year is Rev. T. A. Bendrat, of Albuquerque, New Mexico.

After three years of united effort as a Synodical Society, and a still more extended experience on the part of certain auxiliaries of the Synodical Society, doubtless a discussion of box-work would be helpful for further systematizing

our work in this line of effort, therefore we suggest that such a discussion take place during this convention.

Thanking the auxiliaries for their willing effort, we submit this report.

ELLA C. BEEGLE,

Chairman ;

MRS. L. S. KEYSER, N. E.,

MRS. J. B. WHERFEL, S. W.,

MRS. WILLIAM M. BERG, N. W.,

Supervisors.

Referred to committee.

A symposium, "Our Needs," was comprised of addresses on "Increased Membership," by Miss Maxwell; "Increased Giving," Mrs. Humphrey; "Increased Spirituality," Mrs. Roehrig.

After each paper time was given for general discussion.

Moved that visitors be advisory members of this convention.

Carried.

Mrs. Karl Krueger sang a solo, which was very much enjoyed.

Visitors were presented from the First Presbyterian, First Christian, First Congregational, Methodist Episcopal, and Methodist Episcopal (South) Churches, who greeted the convention.

A letter from Miss Mary Hay Morris, presenting greetings, was read by Mrs. Yarger.

A communication from the Executive Committee of the General Society was read.

Moved and carried to discuss same in detail.

A discussion followed, but no action was taken until later on in the convention.

With devotional exercises we closed the session.

Miss Richards conducted the services.

THIRD SESSION.

St. Mark's Church choir rendered the excellent music which opened the anniversary service on Thursday evening.

Mrs. Beegle presided.

The 76th Psalm was read, hymns were sung, and prayer offered by Dr. Haithcox.

Mrs. Bond addressed the meeting on "Our Work." In her paper she said :

Mrs. Bond's Paper.

The hopes and ambitions of the human heart so largely exceed the ability of the brain and hands to execute that, as a consequence, every life and work has much of disappointment in it.

Happily for us, hope lends charm and courage to the future, which incites to renewed activity and more zealous effort ; and thus we are able to rise above our discomfitures and discouragements and enter upon a new era with plans of improvement and anticipations of better results.

As one draws closer to the Saviour and the heart glows with love to Him, in consequence increased desire to obey His commands and do His will naturally follow. In proportion as the heart is filled with love to Christ will the life be filled with effort in others' behalf. In mission work love to Christ is the motive of service, and prayer the source of inspiration to action and courage in execution.

Our field is but a small portion of the great heathen world, and many thousands elsewhere await the missionary's coming. Shall we be satisfied and rest content with what we have done and are doing, or shall we press forward to new fields ? Jesus saith : " Ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost parts of the earth."

"The Future of Our Work" was the theme discussed by Mrs. J. M. Cromer. In part she said :

Mrs. Cromer's Paper.

Whatever blessing the new century will bring, none will be greater than that which woman will receive ; and whatever new element will enter into the civilization of the future, none will be more potential for the general welfare of the social order than those which woman herself will contribute.

In so far as the difference between man and woman is obliterated in the practical affairs of life, society is surely destroyed, and in the same proportion women will be secularized and our churches will suffer. Woe betide the day when there are no more women than men in our churches.

If ever there was a time when woman needed to be reminded of the fact that she owes her disenthralment and now unchallenged freedom to the Gospel of the risen Lord, that time is now. The cross of Calvary is woman's liberator, and not the political demagogue of the day ; the blessed Gospel is her charter of independence, and not the quack nostrums of social agitators ; the Apostles' Creed is her Declaration of Independence, and not the clamorous mouthings of

so-called political reformers; and the home and the Church of God are her divinely designed field of occupation.

Here is the answer to the problem of woman competition in the world of trade and business: Let woman turn into God's vineyard and hurry up the harvest for the coming King. She will find here all her soul craves in the way of remunerative employment. Remember, she has turned her back upon the world—not indeed to become a nun or cloistered fanatic—but she has turned her back upon the secularizing tendencies of the day. She will not now labor to become rich and control the markets. She will not now poison the sweet life of her soul by introducing the spirit of barter, and trade, and speculation. She will not seek to run things politically, nor will she give herself up to the follies of dress reform.

The true woman will dive more deeply into the wants of her race and seek in the beauty of life and character to create a beautiful spirit and a lovable disposition in her fellow-creatures.

A strong appeal in a reading by Miss Julia Clutz followed, after which the Misses Becker rendered a beautiful quartette.

Dr. Barnitz spoke very briefly.

A collection amounting to \$10.77 was taken up.

The service closed with a hymn, and Dr. Clutz led in prayer and pronounced the benediction.

FOURTH SESSION.

Miss Anna Barger led the devotional exercises.

Roll call.

Minutes read and approved.

Reporters.

Journal—Mrs. Bond.

World—Mrs. Humphrey.

Evangelist—Miss Maedel.

Observer—Mrs. Schauer.

Local Paper—Mrs. Yarger.

Report of Committee on Treasurer's Report.

Your committee beg leave to report that they have examined the accounts of the Treasurer and find the same correct.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. A. M. REITZEL,
MRS. J. S. SCHAUER.

Accepted.

Report of Committee on Corresponding Secretary's Report.

Your committee have examined this report and found it correct, with the exception of the active membership of the Salina Society, which should be 18; also that the Children's Mission Band of Peabody was omitted.

Respectfully submitted,

MISS WORTHINGTON,
MISS SAPPENFIELD.

Accepted.

Moved, seconded, and carried that the amount of money forwarded by the auxiliary societies shall be reported by the Corresponding Secretary as well as by the Treasurer.

Report of Committee on President's Address and Minutes.

Your committee having examined the Minutes of the Baltimore and Hutchinson Conventions, also the President's address, beg leave to submit the following:

The Minutes of the General Convention are full of interest to the workers in all auxiliary societies, and should be carefully studied. A hasty glance or hurried reading will not suffice. The attention is called to a few of the more important items.

On page 65, the Committee on Corresponding Secretary's Report lament the decrease in numbers as reported, and express the belief that this decrease comes from incorrect and careless reporting on the part of auxiliary Corresponding Secretaries.

The following suggestions of the Executive Committee were adopted at Baltimore, and hence become the law to all:

1. That the Minutes be hereafter sent directly from the Publication House to the Synodical Corresponding Secretaries, and be then distributed to the auxiliary societies—the expense to be paid by Synodical Societies.

That Article VI., Section 27, of the Constitution be changed to read as follows (see page 67).

On page 71, the Committee on Literature Committee's Report endorse the discontinuance of children's tracts, and lament that so few tracts are ordered by auxiliary societies. The use of the Topic Cards in the monthly meetings is highly recommended. The clipping book and convention souvenir are also highly recommended to our societies.

On page 86, each Synodical Society is requested to publish in Minutes a list of all life members within its bounds.

Examination of the Minutes of the Hutchinson Convention reveals careful work on the part of our Recording Secretary. The Minutes are neatly and satisfactorily prepared.

Your committee suggest, however, that the reports of Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer be printed in less space.

On page 60, the Committee on Minutes request that any society unable to send a delegate shall send a written excuse for not doing so. Has this been done?

The President's report reveals progress. All pleas for special work have been responded to with promptness. There is nothing in the report demanding special attention except the recommendations. We recommend that the first (see report) be adopted, providing arrangements can be made to pay the expenses of such an organizer without too heavily burdening our societies, and that the matter of meeting such expenses be discussed here.

2. That the money for literature be given to the Literature Committee at convention, or sent direct as soon as possible thereafter.

3. We recommend the adoption of this, and suggest that the Corresponding Secretary remind the societies of this action not later than July.

4. We recommend the adoption of this item, and suggest that an approximate assessment be made according to number of members as reported at this convention.

We also recommend the following:

1. That at the first meeting after the General Minutes are received, the monthly study be devoted to a thorough review of our work as found in the published Minutes.

2. That auxiliary Corresponding Secretaries exercise more care in sending reports and take pains to be accurate and prompt.

3. That greater interest be shown in the work of our General Literature Committee, and the sale of tracts increased if possible.

4. That a list of all life members of the Kansas Synodical Society be published in the Minutes of this year.

Respectfully submitted,

ALICE G. BOND,
BELLE SCHELL,
MILDRED F. YARGER.

Accepted.

"The Mission Band and its Works" was discussed by Miss Worthington. We quote her:

Miss Worthington's Paper.

There are so many ways in which we may interest the children in Mission Band work. Select for them the most interesting information from missionary fields; point out on maps where these fields lie; find pictures for them of nations and their costumes; tell them of the products and customs in those far-off lands; take an imaginary journey thither.

What better time to teach them one thing—the real value of proportionate giving; that is, the setting aside of a certain portion of what they earn, as they earn it, for benevolent objects.

So many attractions open before the young people, therefore they must be taught early to choose wisely ; to desire to possess that which shall endure.

If we can awaken an interest in any unselfish work in the hearts of the children, their young enthusiasm will kindle our duller minds, their quicker steps quicken ours ; they will lead us where we never thought of going.

A letter was read from Miss Laura Wade Rice. She pleaded earnestly for attention to the "Orphaned Mission Bands."

The election of officers was taken up, but after considerable discussion as to the method of electing the order of conferences, the following motion was carried : That the three Vice-Presidents be elected and their respective positions afterward determined.

Meeting adjourned with prayer.

FIFTH SESSION.

The convention opened at 1.45.

After a brief devotional service, led by Mrs. Erickson, roll call, and reading of minutes by Secretary, the election of officers was resumed.

Election of Officers.

President—Mrs. L. S. Keyser, Atchison.

First Vice-President—Mrs. E. C. Beegle, Atchison.

Second Vice-President—Mrs. I. B. Heisey, Waterville.

Third Vice-President—Mrs. M. A. Acker, Whitewater.

Recording Secretary—Miss J. A. Maedel, Kansas City, Mo.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. Maurice D. Berg, Whitewater.

Treasurer—Mrs. G. S. Funk, Peabody.

Hearing Convention Committee Reports was continued.

Report of Committee on Vice-President's and Historian's Reports.

Your committee submit the following for the consideration of this convention : It is with pleasure that we have read the communications of the Vice-President of the Southeast Conference and of the Historian.

We are glad to note that the reports show faithfulness in the performance of duty.

We recommend that each society furnish the Historian with all important matter which might be desired by her.

We further recommend that the societies be more diligent in the use of the Tithe Legion Cards, and that these cards be circulated and the result promptly reported to the Historian.

We have faith to believe that this system of benevolence will be truly honored by the Master if we as His stewards do our part.

Respectfully submitted,

ADDIE BREHM,
CARRIE OSMAN,
LOUISE GEORGES.

Accepted.

An invitation was extended by Synod to have the box-packing service at the evening session of Synod.

Report of Committee on Letters and Papers.

Your committee find the papers and letters read before the convention full of instruction and service, and, to make a more favorable showing, we think it advisable to comply with their suggestions as far as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. M. BERG,
MRS. ROEHRIG,
MRS. RUNNING.

Accepted.

Report of Committee on Box-work and Literature Reports.

Your committee have examined the reports of the Committees on Box-work and Literature. We heartily commend the work of these committees, and believe that each auxiliary society appreciates the efforts put forth by them. We think it would be helpful to all to discuss the box-work in our sessions, and therefore recommend that the same be done. We also recommend that the box-work be taken up again during the coming year.

As we feel deeply the importance of the work of the Literature Committee, we recommend the appropriation of \$5 to that committee.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. LADWIG,
MRS. KISTLER,
MISS MAEDEL.

Accepted.

A discussion of box-work followed.

Miss Cynthia Blackburn addressed the meeting in the interest of "Young Women as Mission Workers."

From Miss Blackburn's Paper.

It is comparatively but a few years since our mothers became alive to their responsibility in the Gospel spreading, and the great work accomplished through their efforts confirm the conviction that the "Go tell" spoken to the early morning visitants at the Holy Sepulchre is still in force.

The helpless, hopeless condition of women in heathendom, the privations of the frontier settler—no church, no pastor—appeal to the sympathetic nature of the young woman, and with a peculiar responsiveness she gives a portion of her earnings or of her allowance fund, as the case may be, with thankfulness for the blessings Christian instruction has bestowed upon her.

For frequently the young woman thinks that such grave interests as mission work are unfitting the heyday of youth, and that when she becomes a mature woman she, like her mother, will take up such work. To all such young women we would say, you will derive pleasure from mission work, as with an increasing interest in the condition of those less highly favored than yourselves your own life will be brighter in consequence.

Also, your spiritual nature will be quickened as you realize that Christianity secured for you the favors which make life dear, your gratitude centres upon the Giver of all blessings, and you pray as never before, "Hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come."

Mrs. Beegle led in a discussion, the basis of which was Miss Blackburn's paper.

Report of Committee on Resolutions.

Your Committee on Resolutions submit the following:

1. *Resolved*, That for the preservation of our lives during the past year, and for the many blessings, both spiritual and temporal, that have been showered upon us, we render thanks and praise to our Heavenly Father.

2. *Resolved*, That to the pastor and wife of St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Atchison, his people and friends we heartily extend our thanks for their Christian hospitality, which has made our visiting delegates feel they have been welcome guests.

3. *Resolved*, That we recognize with gratitude the acceptable services rendered by the choir, the appropriate reading by Miss Clutz, and the artistic autumnal decorations by the Flower Committee for our Thursday evening session. Also that we tender a vote of thanks to the Methodist Church South for the use of their auditorium.

4. *Resolved*, That we pray more earnestly and use our influence against the sale of all intoxicants.

5. *Resolved*, That we encourage a larger circulation of the *Missionary Journal*, *Mission Studies*, and Tracts for use in the monthly meetings of the auxiliaries.

6. *Resolved*, That we advocate the organizing of Young People's and Children's Bands and a general circulation of their literature whenever God shows us the way.

7. *Resolved*, That we, as members of missionary societies in the Kansas Synod, reconsecrate our lives to the cause of missions and instill into our own hearts and the hearts of others a deeper love for the work and a feeling of greater responsibility for its advancement.

8. WHEREAS, We have missed from our convention our former President, Mrs. Nettie L. Hoffer, therefore be it resolved that greetings from this convention be sent her, with the assurance that our prayers shall be offered that an abundant blessing will be vouchsafed her.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. HEISEY,
MRS. HUMPHREY.

Adopted.

The following bills for stationery and printing were presented and ordered paid by the Treasurer :

Postage and Revenue Stamps (Treasurer).....	\$2 70
300 Receipts for Treasurer.....	2 00
Postage and Stationery (Corresponding Secretary).....	2 31
One-third cost of printing Convention Programmes.....	2 25
Total	\$9 26

The President was delegated to correspond with the pastors and others and try to organize Mission Bands and Young People's Societies.

Committee on Box-work—Mrs. Ella C. Beegle, Mrs. I. B. Heisey, Mrs. M. A. Acker.

Literature Committee—Mrs. H. L. Humphrey, Mrs. Barber, Mrs. Johntz.

Letter from the Executive Committee was re-read and discussed, the discussion resulting in the following resolutions being adopted :

Resolutions.

Resolved (1), That our efforts of the coming year be characterized by a more intelligent study of mission literature, increased fervency in prayer, increased giving, and more active measures in endeavoring to enlist others in mission work.

Resolved (2), That we manifest our allegiance to the General Society by working in full accordance with the plans outlined by our General Executive Committee.

Resolved (3), Realizing the need of further organization in our own Synodical territory, also of instruction to existing organizations, we express the belief that such effort, wisely conducted by a field secretary, would advance our woman's work.

The delegates signified their enjoyment of the convention, and expressed a general sentiment that much good to the auxiliary societies would result from the meeting.

Shortly after 5 o'clock Mrs. Bond offered the prayer which closed the convention.

Box-packing.

On Friday evening, after the service of Synod, the annual box-packing was conducted. Mrs. Beegle, Chairman of the Committee, presided. In her paper she spoke of the progress being made in this line of work as evinced by the increase in number and value of the boxes sent out from year to year. She also spoke of the twofold benefit of the effort, the cheer, and material aid to the recipient, and the sympathetic interest of the donor in the self-sacrificing work of the missionaries.

An interesting letter from Rev. Kossick, the recipient of last year's box, assured us of the rich blessing in the work.

Miss Hartman, of Midland College, Atchison, read a pleasant letter from Mrs. T. A. Bendrat, wife of the missionary at Albuquerque, N. M., to whom we send the box this year, and Dr. Barnitz, who is personally acquainted with Rev. and Mrs. Bendrat, spoke of their needs and of the acceptability of our gifts.

The offering of clothing and money was valued at \$97.00. These were presented by the delegates in answer to the call of the roll of societies.

The service ended, Dr. Barnitz pronounced the benediction, and the convention adjourned to meet in 1900 in Waterville, Kansas.

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REPORT OF THE CONVENTION
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LUTHER LEAGUE
OF
Kansas and Kansas Synod,

HELD IN ST. MARK'S LUTHERAN CHURCH, ATCHISON,
KANSAS, OCTOBER 17-18, 1899.

The Luther League of Kansas and Kansas Synod met in convention in St. Mark's Church, Atchison, Kansas, Rev. L. S. Keyser, pastor, on Tuesday evening and Wednesday, October 17th and 18th, 1899.

The last previous convention of the League was that held in Lindsborg, Kansas, May 26th and 27th, 1896. The present convention was arranged by a committee which had been appointed a year before by the Synod of Kansas, with instructions to co-operate with the officers of the League in preparing to hold a convention in connection with Synod in 1899. This committee consisted of Rev. I. B. Heisey, Waterville, Chairman; Rev. J. A. McCulloch, Salina; and Rev. Edward P. Schueler, Kansas City, Mo.

The opening session of the convention brought together a large audience. Professor C. F. Peterson, of Lindsborg, Kansas, called the convention to order. Rev. J. A. McCulloch pronounced the invocation.

The following programme was then rendered:

Greetings. Mr. Clarence N. Swihart, Atchison.

Response. Professor C. F. Peterson, Lindsborg.

Twelve-minute Addresses on "Our Lutheran Young People." Rev. A. M. Reitzel, Hutchinson; Rev. G. W. W. Amick, Peabody; and Rev. C. E. Wirick, Emporia.

The numbers were interspersed with excellent music by a chorus under the direction of Dr. A. F. Dresel.

After adjournment the delegates and friends spent a pleasant half-hour in getting acquainted.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

After a short devotional service, conducted by Mr. William Olmquist, of Sedalia, Mo., President Peterson called the meeting to order. Rev. Edward P. Schueler was elected Secretary *pro tem*. Delegates were enrolled to the number of sixty-two. After the appointment of a nominating committee, the programme for the morning was rendered as follows:

Paper and Discussion: "Reasons for Union Among Young Lutherans." Led by Mrs. Anna Barger, Eureka.

Paper and Discussion: "Is the Prayer Meeting All?" Led by Miss Alwine Gabe, Beloit, and Miss Anna Falls, Valley Falls.

Address: "The Young Lutheran as a Citizen." Rev. C. A. Engstrand, Topeka.

The papers were interesting and were well received. The discussions from the floor of the convention were animated and very profitable. The address by Rev. Mr. Engstrand was scholarly and eloquent.

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The conference on "Our Societies—Helpful Ideas and Plans," opened with a paper by Mr. Ralph Livers, Waterville, and drew forth many profitable suggestions for the improvement of the young people in their work.

Rev. L. S. Keyser then spoke on "The Future of the League," and was followed by others. It was the consensus of minds that the success of the present convention, the number in attendance, the interest displayed, and the adaptability of the Luther League to the present needs of Lutheran young people augured most hopefully for the future of this movement.

The convention then resolved itself into a business session.

The Nominating Committee, consisting of Rev. I. B. Heisey, Rev. J. F. Seibert, and Rev. C. A. Engstrand, presented the following list of officers for the coming year, who were unanimously elected:

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The new President took charge at this point, and appointed the following standing committees:

Executive Committee—Rev. I. B. Heisey, Rev. C. A. Engstrand, Rev. J. A. McCulloch.

On Extension of the Work—Rev. J. F. Seibert, Prof. C. F. Peterson, Miss Nora Nelson.

An offering of \$9.21 was taken to cover bills of the convention.

The retiring Treasurer, Miss Anna S. Hutt, reported a balance on hand from last convention of 83 cents.

Bills were allowed as follows: Convention programmes, \$2.25; printing circular call for convention, \$2.75; postage on same, \$1.50; postal cards for statistics and printing, 75 cents. Total, \$7.25.

A rising vote of thanks was tendered the retiring President.

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Executive Committee—Rev. I. B. Heisey, Rev. C. A. Engstrand, Rev. J. A. McCulloch.

On Extension of the Work—Rev. J. F. Seibert, Prof. C. F. Peterson, Miss Nora Nelson.

An offering of \$9.21 was taken to cover bills of the convention.

The retiring Treasurer, Miss Anna S. Hutt, reported a balance on hand from last convention of 83 cents.

Bills were allowed as follows: Convention programmes, \$2.25; printing circular call for convention, \$2.75; postage on same, \$1.50; postal cards for statistics and printing, 75 cents. Total, \$7.25.

A rising vote of thanks was tendered the retiring President.

The arrangements for the next convention are placed by the constitution in the hands of the Executive Committee.

By a rising vote the convention tendered thanks to Rev. L. S. Keyser and the people of St. Mark's Church for their excellent care in entertaining and the many courtesies shown.

The convention then adjourned.

EDWARD P. SCHUELER,
Secretary pro tem.

LUTHER LEAGUE OF THE KANSAS SYNOD.

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Statistical Table.

CONGREGATIONS.	PASTOR.	NAME.	Membership.				Contributions.		President.	Corresponding Secretary.
			Active.	Associate.	Junior.	Local.	Benevolence.			
Abilene, Trinity.....	H. C. Haidcock, D. D.	Luther League of C. E.	15	5		\$8 15		Emma Haidcock.	Lulu W. Cramer.	
Atchison, St. Mark's.....	L. S. Keyser.....	V. P. S. C. E.	35			6 00	\$5 00	C. F. Shultz.	Edna Ernst.	
Emporia, St. Mark's.....	C. E. Wick.....	V. P. S. C. E.								
Hanover, Zion's.....	J. W. Paetznick.....	Luther League.....	30			30 00		Henry Imhoff	Mrs. Dora Buesig.	
Kansas City, Children's Memorial.....	E. P. Schueler.....	V. P. S. C. E.	30	4		35 00	4 00	Katherine Colt.	Gladys Colt.	
Lawrence, English Lutheran.....	W. E. Brehm.....	V. P. S. C. E.	25	10		25 00	7 00	Ben Lohman	Anna Hutt.	
Leavenworth, English Lutheran.....	A. F. Dressel, M. D.	V. P. S. C. E.	30			31 90		Kate Kimmel	Mrs. H. A. Lord.	
Lindsborg, Bethany.....	Carl Swenson.....	V. P. S. C. E.	60	75	40			Rev. E. Philblad.	Katherine Pearson.	
Osawatomie, St. Paul's.....	G. W. W. Amick.....	Lutheran Alliance.....	30			40 31		Ferd Williamson.	Nellie F. Pugh.	
Perth, St. Paul's.....	G. W. W. Amick.....	Christian Endeavor.....	24	3				Lahr Whitecar.	Jennie Westerhouse.	
Salina, St. John's.....	E. E. Stauffer.....	Christian Endeavor.....	26			13 30	8 70	John Aldridge.	Anna Jacobs.	
Salina, St. John's.....	E. E. Stauffer.....	Christian Endeavor.....	32	4		13 30	15 00	Mollie Stock.	Kate Manderbach.	
Salina, St. John's.....	E. E. Stauffer.....	Christian Endeavor.....	37	4		15 00	9 25	Anna Falls.	Joseph E. Johanson.	
Valley Falls, St. Paul's.....	R. B. Whitehill.....	Christian Endeavor.....	15			22 55	19 00	Anna Falls.	Anna Falls.	
Vinland, St. John's.....	M. D. Berg.....	Christian Endeavor.....	43	8		74 80	1 65	Joseph Dooley.	Mabel T. Hemphill.	
Whitewater, Zion's.....	I. B. Heisey.....	Christian Endeavor.....	26	1		74 80	3 00	E. Agnes Spohn.	E. Agnes Spohn.	
Waterville, Waterville.....	A. M. Keitzel.....	V. P. S. C. E.	20	5		55 00	3 00	Bertha Chapman.	Lulu Nellis.	
Hutchinson, Zion's.....	J. F. Seibert.....	Luther League.....	20			300 00		Will Adams.	Anna L. Brill.	
Sedalia, Trinity.....		King's Daughters.....	18	20				E. L. Martin (Miss.)	Miss Susan Nichols.	
St. Joseph, First English Lutheran.....		Christian Endeavor.....								
Moray.....			510	147	75	\$676 86	\$66 35			
Totals.....										

* Organizing.

J. A. McCULLOCH, W. E. BROWN, M. D. BERG.

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CORPORATE NAMES AND TITLES.

To prevent all mistakes in the writing of wills and making of bequests to the benevolent objects of the Church, it has been ordered that the corporate names and titles of the different Boards and Societies of the General Synod should appear on this page. If those who contemplate making any of the church institutions named below beneficiaries in their last wills are careful to use the legal titles here following, their pious intentions will not be frustrated.

THE GENERAL SYNOD.

"The General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States of America."

THE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION.

"The Board of Church Extension of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States."

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

"The Board of Education of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States of America."

THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

"The Board of Foreign Missions of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States."

THE GERMAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AT CHICAGO, ILL.

"German Theological Seminary of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the United States."

THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

"The Historical Society of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States of America."

THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS.

"The Board of Home Missions of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States."

THE DEACONESS BOARD.

"The Deaconess Board of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States of America."

THE ORPHANS' HOME AT LOYSVILLE, PA.

"Transfer Orphans' Home of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the General Synod in the United States of America."

THE PARENT EDUCATION SOCIETY.

"Parent Education Society of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States."

THE PASTORS' FUND SOCIETY.

"The Pastors' Fund Society of the General Synod of the Lutheran Church in the United States of America."

THE PUBLICATION SOCIETY.

"The Lutheran Publication Society."

THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AT GETTYSBURG.

"The Theological Seminary of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States."

THE W. H. AND F. M. SOCIETY.

"The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States."

HOME FOR THE AGED.

"The National Lutheran Home for the Aged, Washington, D. C."

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It would be well to remember that State laws should be consulted in making bequests.